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## **ABSTRACT**

**A Quasi experimental study was conducted to assess the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul District** was done by **Mrs.VIJAYA.M.** as a partial fulfillment of the requirement for the Degree of Master of science in Nursing to the Tamilnadu Dr. MGR. Medical University Chennai During the year of 2015-2017

The objectives of the study were(1)To assess the pre and posttest level of pain and quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group,(2) To evaluate the effectiveness of back massage on the level of pain and quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in experimental group,(3) To correlate the level of pain with quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group,(4)To find out the association between level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their selected demographic variables and(5) To find out the association between level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their selected demographic variables. In this study a quasi-experimental, non-randomized control group pretest –posttest design was adopted. Convenience sampling technique was used to select each 30 samples in experimental and control group. Structured interview schedule was used to collect the demographic variables. Visual analog scale and Modified Regensburg sleep assessment scale was used to assess the level of post-operative pain and quality of sleep. Experimental group received intervention of Back massage with routine care for 15-20 minutes twice a day for 1-3 post-operative days.

The result shows that, with regard to age, 11 (36.6%) in experimental group and 12(40%) in control group belonged to the age group of 41 to 60 years and 2 (6.6%) in experimental group and 3(10%) in control group belonged to the age group of above 80 years. Considering the sex, 17 (56.6%) subjects in the experimental group and 14 (46.6%) in the control group were females and the remaining were males. In relation to education, 9(30%) of them had high school education and 5(16.6%) of them had primary education in experimental group and 9(30%) of them had high school education and 11(36.6%) of them had primary education in control group. With regard to the occupation, 10(33.3%) were agriculture workers and 2(6.6%) were private employees in experimental group and 8(26.6%) were agriculture workers and 4(13.3%) were private employees in the control group. Regarding the history of previous orthopedic surgery, 17(56.6%) in experimental group and 18(60%) in control group had no history of previous orthopedic surgery. Considering the types of analgesics used, 17(56.6%) subjects in experimental group and 19(63.3%) in control group had parenteral type of analgesics used. In relation to frequency of analgesics administration, 24(80%) of them in the experimental group and 21(70%) of them in the control group got analgesics twice a day. With respect to types of orthopedic surgery, 20(66.6%) subjects in experimental group and 17(56.6%) in the control group had lower extremity orthopedic surgery. With regard to the types of anesthesia, 23(76.6%) subjects in the experimental group and 25(83.3%) subjects in the control group undergone spinal anesthesia and 3(10%) subjects in the experimental group and 2(6.6%) subjects in the control group undergone regional anesthesia

Findings of pre test level of pain in control group on day I and Day-II shows that 27 subjects (90%) had severe level of pain and 3 subjects (10%) had moderate level of pain. And the post test level of pain in control group on day I and day II, 26

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Whereas in experimental group, the pre test level of pain on Day I post operative day 22 subjects (73.3%) had severe level of pain and on Day III post operative day, 23 subjects (76.6%) had moderate level of pain and the post test level of pain on I post operative day 17 subjects (56.6%) had moderate level of pain, on III post operative day 19(63.3%) had mild level of pain.

Findings shown that the pre test level of quality of sleep in control group, 2 of them (6.6%) had moderate level of quality of sleep disturbances and in the post test, 21 of them (70%) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances..

The pre test level of quality of sleep in experimental group, 29 of them (96.6%) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances and in the post test, 27 of them (96.6%) had low level of quality of sleep disturbances.

Findings revealed that in control group, the pre test mean score was 84.7 with SD 8.4 and the post test mean score 83.7 with SD 9.5 on the day-I and day -II the pre test mean score was 84.7 with SD 8.4 and in the post test mean score 83.7 with SD 9.5 On day-III, the pre test mean score was 83.5 with SD 12.9 and in the post test mean score 82.8 with SD 10.4. The calculated 't' values on day-I,II,III in the control group were 0.98,0.98,1.82 which are not significant. It is concluded that there was no significant differences between the pre and post test level of pain among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery.

Findings of experimental group shown that the pre test mean score was 80 with SD 12.3 and the post test mean score 71.6 with SD 13.8 on the day-I. On Day –II the pre test mean score was 62.3 with SD 8.3 and in the post test mean score 42 with SD 17.4. On Day-III the pre test mean score was 51.3 with SD 14.8 and the post test mean score 37.3 with SD 14. The calculated 't' value on day-I, II, III in the experimental group were 3.5, 4.4, 4.5 was statistically highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level which clearly shows that there was a significant reduction in the level of pain among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery after giving back massage.

The obtained 't' values on day-I, day-II, day-III for level of pain between the control and experimental group is 4.1, 6.6, 13.4 which were highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level. These findings revealed that the subjects in experimental group had decreased level of pain after giving back massage compared to control group.

Findings revealed that in control group, the pre test mean score was 34.8 with SD 2.4 and the post test mean score was 31.5 with SD 6.6. The calculated 't' value of 5.0 was non-significant which clearly shows that there was no differences between the pre and post test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery in the control group.

Whereas in experimental group, the pre test mean score was 35.1 with SD 1.79 and the post test mean score was 6.38 with SD 4.4. The calculated 't' value (2.81) for quality of sleep in experimental group was highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level which clearly shows that there was a significant improvement in the level of quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery after giving back massage.

The obtained 't' value for level of quality of sleep between the experimental and control group was 17.41 which was highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level and the post test mean of experimental group was 6.38 where in control group was 31.5 and their mean difference was 25.12 which had greater improvement than the pre test

level. It is concluded that the back massage was highly effective in improving quality of sleep.

There was a Positive correlation ( $r= 0.689$ ) between posttest level of pain and quality of sleep in experimental group at  $P<0.01$  level. It is inferred that there was a significant improvement in quality of sleep as the pain intensity was reduced in experimental group.

There was no association between pretest level of pain and their demographic variable of occupation, history of previous orthopedic surgery, types of analgesics and frequency of analgesic administration. There was a significant association between the level of pain and the other demographic variables among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery in the control group.

There was a significant association between the demographic variables such as age, gender, history of previous surgery, their level of pain. No other demographic variables were shown any association with their level of pain among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery in the experimental group.

There was no association between the level of quality of sleep and demographic variables such as gender, history of previous surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration, types of orthopedic surgery. Other demographic variables had association with their level of quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery in the control group.

Whereas in the experimental group, there is no association between the level of quality of sleep and demographic variables namely age, gender, educational status, history of previous surgery, types of analgesics used frequency of analgesics

administration, types of ortho surgery. There was a significant association between the level of quality of sleep and the other demographics variables such as occupation, types of anesthesia, their quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery.

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# **CHAPTER-I**

## **INTRODUCTION**

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**“Pain and death are part of life; to reject them is to reject life itself”**

The skeletal system serves as a framework for tissues and organs to attach themselves to. This system acts as a protective structure for vital organs. Bones and other skeletal materials must be resistant to such stresses, or they may break or distort. The types of forces experienced on different parts of the body will influence the structural material.

Musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) are injuries or pain in the body's joints, ligaments, muscles, nerves, tendons, and structures that support limbs, neck and back. MSDs are degenerative diseases and inflammatory conditions that cause pain and impair normal activities. They can affect many different parts of the body including upper and lower back, neck, shoulders and extremities (arms, legs, feet, and hands)

In general population, musculoskeletal disorders are an increasing health care issue globally, being the second leading cause of disability. In the U.S. there were more than 16 million strains and sprains treated in 2004, and the total cost for treating musculoskeletal disorders is estimated to be more than \$125 billion per year. In 2006 approximately 14.3% of the Canadian population was living with a disability, with nearly half due to, musculoskeletal disorders.

Orthopaedic surgery addresses and attempts to correct problems that arise in the skeleton and its attachments, the ligaments and tendons. It may also include some problems of the nervous system, such as those that arise from injury of the spine. These problems can occur at birth, through injury, or as the result of aging. They may be acute, as in an accident or injury, or chronic, as in many problems related to aging.

Between 2001 and 2011, the prevalence of musculoskeletal procedures drastically increased in the U.S, from 17.9% to 24.2% of all operating room procedures performed during hospital stays.

In a study of hospitalizations in the United States in 2012, spine and joint procedures were common among all age groups except infants. Spinal fusion was one of the most common procedures performed in every age group except infants younger than 1 year and adults 85 years and older. Laminectomy was common among adults aged 18-84 years. Knee arthroplasty and hip replacement were in the top procedures for adults aged 45 years and older.

**Jakoi A et al., (2011)** stated about orthopaedic consultation in India. A total of 71.5% of patients required orthopedic consultation. Average age was 35 years, with men injured at a ratio of 8:1. The most common mechanism of injury was motorcycle versus automobile (n = 48). A total of 206 fractures in 108 patients were discovered. The most common site of fracture involved the lower extremities. Open reduction with internal fixation was performed on 110 fractures (69 patients) during primary admission. Fifty-seven patients (57%) sustained open fractures requiring emergent orthopedic intervention. Fifty-three patients (53%) had various concomitant complications. Two patients died during initial hospitalization. Average hospitalization for patients without orthopedic consultation was 11.9 days versus 13.8 days with orthopaedic consultation. The average number of orthopedic procedures performed on patients was 1:6.

Orthopaedic procedures have been reported to have the highest incidence of pain compared to other types of operations.



Orthopaedic surgical Pain is defined by the World Health Organization as “an unpleasant sensory or emotional experience associated with actual or potential tissue damage, or described in terms of such damage.” After orthopaedic surgeries such as knee replacements, hip replacements, and repair of hip fractures, pain management is essential during rehabilitation to maximize recovery and ensure the best possible outcomes.

Pain following orthopedic surgery affects the functional ability and outcomes. Inadequate postoperative pain management decreases participation in rehabilitation and activities of daily living and increased potential for chronic pain. Pain management is essential optimal for patient outcome both from perspective of the health care provider and patient.

**Lewis.SL (2012)** Postoperative pain is caused by the interaction of number of physiologic and psychologic factors. The skin and underlying tissues have been traumatized by the incision and retraction during the surgery. Postoperative orthopaedic pain can complicate and delay patient’s recovery, lengthen hospital stays and costs, and interfere with a patient’s return to activities of daily living. In many people, pain medications can have unpleasant side effects.

Alternative therapies are commonly used treatment modalities in present days as it does not have side effects and also it is effective. These therapies are used together with conventional medicines, for the purpose of increasing comfort or relaxation, improving or restoring health and harmony of the body, mind and spirit, improving coping mechanism, reducing stress, relieving pain and increasing the patient’s sense of wellbeing.

Massage therapy is the scientific manipulation of the skin and soft tissues of the body. Massage therapy has cellular effects by mechanotransduction,

biomechanical effects on tissues, physiological changes in tissues or organ, neurological effects by reflex stimulation, psychological effects by increasing relationship between body and mind.

Touch could induce pain relief by activating the large beta afferent nerve fibers from receptors in the skin as they connect with the cells in dorsal horn of the spinal cord. Stimulation of these fibers by stroking skin has been found to affect the activity of these nociceptive cells in the dorsal horn close the gate on the barrage of pain stimuli reaching the brain.

Stimulation of reflex point in the back is a relaxing treatment which is the concept of massage therapy. The stimulation of reflex points on the back stimulate release of endorphins from the brain which is the body's natural pain killer and it promotes a healing response in every organ, glands and body system and also promotes relaxation, reduces discomfort, improves recovery.

**Stephanie and Rothman** stated that hypnosis, massage, reflexology and chiropractic manipulations have also proven beneficial for pain relief. This serves to balance the body's subtle energies, which, in turn, bring both emotional relaxation and pain relief to the body.

**Diana L. Thompson (2012)** conducted somatic research study on Back massage Improves Postoperative Experience showed that there was a 50% reduced use of analgesics in the experimental group where back massage used for pain control, against the control group were only analgesics administered. The study concluded that back massage was effective in reducing post operative pain among orthopedic surgery.

## NEED FOR THE STUDY

*“There is no part of my life, upon which I can look back without pain”*

*-Florence nightingale*

A variety of professional and allied health care providers are concerned with the health care needs of society. The physician's focus is the treatment and repair of abnormality e.g. fracture. A physical therapist may provide treatment to restore mobility. However the domains and scope of nursing practice are in a dynamic state.

Nursing practice today is composed of a wide variety of roles and responsibilities necessary to meet the health care needs of society. Nurses are the frontline professionals of health care. Nurses offer skill to those recovering from illness or injury and advocate for patient's right and educate patients, so that they can make informed decisions and support patients at critical times. Comfort is a concept, central to the art of Nursing. The concept of comfort is as subjective as that of pain.

**-Patricia (2007)**

**The International Association for the study of pain (2011)** defines pain as “an unpleasant sensory and emotional experience associated with actual or potential tissue damage”. There are variations in each patient's experience with pain and the ability to cope or deal with the “unpleasant sensory” perception that the pain entails.

Pain is subjective, eliciting different responses; however there is no set gold standard of care for treating pain in patients.

**Funda Esen Büyükyilmaz MSc, RN et al., (2010)** conducted a study on Postoperative Pain Characteristics in Turkish Orthopaedic Patients. The study sample

consisted of 150 patients who met the inclusion criteria and agreed to participate in the study. Data were collected using a questionnaire form that included socio-demographic, postoperative pain characteristics, and the McGill Pain Questionnaire. Results showed that, in the assessment of pain severity on the third postoperative day, the Present Pain Intensity was determined to be a mean of  $1.75 \pm 1.02$  (on a scale of 0 to 5), and 78.7% had “intermittent” pain. In addition, worst/severe pain severity was determined to be a mean of  $4.55 \pm 0.70$  on the third postoperative day. Statistically significant differences were found between patients’ pain severity scores ( $p \leq 0.001$ ). They concluded that, nurses must learn the postoperative pain characteristics of orthopedic patients to implement safe and effective postoperative pain management.

Over the years, mankind had devised many methods to combat pain. Pain methods can be divided into two main groups; pharmacological and non-pharmacological ones. Postoperative pain is routinely poor controlled by pharmacological means alone. Complimentary strategies based on sound research findings are needed to aid in postoperative pain relief as patients routinely report mild to moderate pain even though pain medications have been administered. One of the most significant limitations associated with pharmacological pain relief is that almost every drug used as analgesics has got a deleterious effects over patients. Analgesics have a maximum effective dose, increasing the dose cannot decrease pain relief, but may increase side effects.

A clinic endoscopic histo pathological study was conducted in Kings George Medical College on effect of community used non- steroidal anti- inflammatory drugs on gastric mucosa. It was found that all these drugs were known to produce gastro

intestinal lesions. Here they found aspirin and phenylbutazone caused gastric mucosal damages on 33.3%, 37.5% and 15% of the population respectively and also ineffectiveness of using analgesia alone, to relieve pain has focused today's nursing system on complimentary treatments and non- pharmacological interventions.

Complementary and alternative therapies are the fastest growing areas of health care. The main difference between conventional medicine and complementary medicine is the inclusion of the emotional, spiritual, and physical components of wellbeing; complimentary methods utilize the client's own energy to enhance the healing potential. The inclusion of complimentary therapies in orthopaedic care vastly increases the choices available to patients throughout surgery, postoperative care and orthopaedic rehabilitation.

There are some complimentary therapies to reduce post operative orthopaedic pain without causing any adverse effects. Few scientific studies have been done in this area; many patients have reported benefits from acupressure, acupuncture, various herbal remedies and yoga, massage, reflexology. Among these complimentary therapies massage has found to be effective and commonest method used to relieve pain, improves recovery and promotes relaxation.

Massage is a simple way of easing pain, while at the same time aiding relaxation, promoting a feeling of well-being and a sense of receiving good care. Scientifically, massage may be defined as group of systematic and scientific manipulations of body tissues best performed with the hands to decrease inflammation, anxiety, noci-ceptive input and stiffness of skeletal muscle and helps to increase collagen reorientation and improves wound healing, blood circulation.

**Eghbali M et al., (2011)** conducted a study on effect of back massage therapy on pain severity in orthopaedic patients. 60 arthroscopic knee surgery patients were included in this study. They were randomly divided into two groups of experimental and control. The experimental group received back massage for 20 minutes with routine care in two sessions, with 24 hours interval. The researcher analyzed the end results by using visual analog scale. Findings of the study concluded that there are meaningful difference between mean score of pain severity before and after massage in intervention group at  $p < 0.001$ . The researcher concluded that back massage is a safe and effective intervention. It could be used as an easy, cheap and excutable method for treating pain even at patient's home.

**Liza Dion et al., (2011)** conducted a study to find out the effects of back massage on pain management for orthopaedic surgical patients. 160 patients were selected who met inclusion criteria and divided into two groups. Pre and posttest level of pain was assessed by numerical rating scale. Experimental group received back massage intervention for 20 minutes. The results showed that patients received back massage had significantly decreased pain scores after massage ( $p < 0.001$ ). They concluded that Patients and staff were highly satisfied with having massage therapy available, and no major barriers to implementing massage therapy were identified.

The investigator as a nurse during her clinical experience period has come across many patients suffering from agonizing pain and discomfort during post orthopaedic surgery. Investigator found that patients who have undergone orthopaedic surgery suffered from pain and discomfort during their recovery period due to adverse effects of analgesics. On investigating the investigator found majority of patients like to receive non-pharmacological pain relief strategies along with routine care. The depth of literature and the information available about the new advancing alternative

therapies to manage pain made the investigator to double her interest towards the use of back massage to reduce pain among patient's undergone orthopedic surgeries.

**M. Kurtz, PhD et al., (2012)** conducted a survey on Total hip arthroplasty demand rising on a global level. The researchers found an estimated 959,000 annual primary and revision total hip procedures. The average rate of THA was 131 procedures per 100,000 population, and the average revision burden was found to be 12.9%. According to the findings, 57.7% of the patients were women and 32.9% of patients were under the age of 65 years.

A survey carried out by the **ISBMR** among orthopedic surgeons across the country, revealed that in government hospitals about 80-85% hip fractures are surgically treated whereas in private hospitals almost 100% receive surgical treatment.

**D. K. Dhanwaletal., (2012)** conducted a survey on incidence of hip fracture in Rohtak district, North India. A total of 541 patients with hip fracture were hospitalized in Rohtak district in year 2009. Out of these, 304 were from Rohtak district. Hipfracture crude incidence above the age of 50 years was 129 per 100,000. They were 105 and 159 per 100,000 among men and women, respectively. Hip fracture incidence was similar in both sexes till age of 55 years. From age of 55 onwards, the rates were significantly higher in women.

**J Orthop Sci. 2013** indicated an overview of clinical features of orthopedic surgery in India. The highest rate of surgery of the spine (5.8%), knee joint (4.5%), or hip joint (1.8%) occurred in patients in their seventies, and the highest rate of surgery for trauma (9.1%) occurred in patients in their eighties. Hip fracture surgeries resulted

in relatively high in-hospital mortality (1.38%) and postoperative complication rate (3.6%).

**Sheela Philomena (2013)** Stated on Knee Replacement Surgery Incidence Rises in India. Findings indicated a 130-fold increase in incidence of total knee arthroplasty among those between the ages of 30 and 59 years during the study period. The incidence increased from 0.5 to 65 operations per 100,000 individuals, with the most rapid increase occurring from 2001 to 2006 (18 to 65 operations per 100,000). Increase in incidence of partial knee replacements was also observed from 0.2 to 10 operations per 100,000 inhabitants. Researchers also found that in the last ten years of the study the incidence of total knee replacements was 1.6 to 2.4-fold higher in women than in men. Incidences of total and partial knee replacements were also higher in the oldest age group (50 to 59 years of age).

A study was conducted on minimally invasive surgical techniques and day care anesthesia. Advances in anesthetic and surgical techniques along with escalating healthcare costs have resulted in an ever increasing number of surgical procedures, being performed on a daycare basis in India as well as worldwide. Most common reasons of unanticipated delay in hospital discharge are excessive fatigue, nausea, and vomiting and unrelieved pain. One such prospective study of 10,008 ambulatory surgical patients found a 5.3% incidence of severe pain in the Post Anesthetic Care Unit after ambulatory surgery. Patients following orthopedic surgery, had the higher incidence of pain (16%), followed by urologic (13.4%) and general surgical procedures (11.5%).



## **STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM**

A quasi experimental study to assess the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul district.

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY**

1. To assess the pre and posttest level of pain and the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group
2. To evaluate the effectiveness of back massage on the level of pain and the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in experimental group.
3. To correlate the level of pain with the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group
4. To find out the association between the pre test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and with their selected demographic variables in control and experimental group.
5. To find out the association between pre test level of the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and with their selected demographic variables in control and experimental group.

## **HYPOTHESIS**

**H<sub>1</sub>**-The mean post test level of pain will be significantly lower than the mean pre test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group

**H<sub>2</sub>**-The mean post test level of pain in experimental group will be significantly lower than the mean post test level of pain in control group among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

**H<sub>3</sub>**- The mean post test level of quality of sleep will be significantly higher than the mean pretest level of the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group

**H<sub>4</sub>**The mean post test level of the quality of sleep in experimental group will be significantly higher than the mean post test level of the quality of sleep in control group among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

**H<sub>5</sub>**. There will be a significant correlation between level of pain and the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group.

**H<sub>6</sub>**-There will be a significant association between thepre test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their demographic variables in control and experimental group.

**H<sub>7</sub>**-There will be significant association between pre test the level of the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their demographic variables in control and experimental group.

## **OPERATIONAL DEFINITION**

### **EFFECTIVENESS**

In this study effectiveness refers to the extent to which back massage has achieved desirable changes in the level of post-operative pain and the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery measured by visual analog scale and modified Regensburg sleep assessment scale.

## **BACK MASSAGE**

Back massage is the manipulation of superficial and deeper layers of muscle and connective tissue using techniques like effleurage, petrissage, tapotement, friction with coconut oil given for 15-20 minutes two times a day for the first, second and third post-operative days.

## **POST OPERATIVE PAIN**

Post-operative pain is a complex response to tissue trauma during surgery that stimulates hypersensitivity of the central nervous system which is measured by using visual analog scale.

## **QUALITY OF SLEEP**

The national sleep foundation recently released the key indicators of good sleep quality as established by a panel of experts given the precipitous increase in the use of sleep technology devices the key findings are timely and relevant. The key determinants of quality sleep are included in a report published in sleep health. They include

1. Sleeping more time while in bed (atleast 85 percent of the total time).
2. Falling asleep in 30 minutes or less.
3. Waking up no more than once per night.
4. Being awake for 20 minutes or less after initially falling asleep.

The path of Sleep is different in different patients and varies with the type of procedure which is measured by Modified Ransburg sleep assessment scale.

## **ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY**

Patients' undergone surgery that deals with the fracture reduction, knee replacement, hip replacement, plate removal.

## **ASSUMPTION**

This study assumes that

- Back massage is an easy and executable method for treating pain in all medical care centers and even at patient's home.
- Massage is considered as a safe and effective intervention for reducing orthopedic surgical pain.
- Back massages relax the body tissues and mind there by reducing orthopedic surgical pain.

## **DELIMITATION**

The study was limited to

- who have undergone orthopedic surgery
- who are in 1-3<sup>rd</sup> post-operative day
- data collection period of 6 weeks
- who are willing to participate in the study

## **PROJECTED OUTCOME**

This study will be able to assess the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

# **CHAPTER-II**

## **REVIEW OF LITERATURE**

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### **REVIEW OF LITERATURE**

A literature review involves the systematic identification, location, scrutiny and summary of written materials that contain information on a research problem.

It provides basis for future investigations that justifies the need for the study, throws light on the feasibility of study. This chapter has review of studies done, methodology adopted and conclusion obtained are mostly from text books, journals and internet searches.

The literature review related to this study was discussed under the following heading;

- Studies related to incidence of orthopedic surgery
- Studies related to pain severity on orthopedic surgery
- Studies related to need for increased amount of analgesics among orthopedic surgical patients
- Studies related to ill-effects of analgesics
- Studies related to effectiveness of back massage in reducing postoperative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery

## **STUDIES RELATED TO INCIDENCE OF ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY**

**Mayo Clinic (2014)** conducted a first nationwide prevalence study of hip and knee arthroplasty showed 7.2 million Americans living with implants. In 2010, 4.7 million Americans have undergone total knee arthroplasty (TKA) and 2.5 million have undergone total hip arthroplasty (THA) and are living with implants. Prevalence is higher in women than in men: 3 million women and 1.7 million men are living with TKA, and 1.4 million women and 1.1 million men are living with THA. Prevalence increases with age. In adults' ages 80 to 89 years, about 6% and 10% have a history of total hip and knee replacement, respectively.

**Alexander M. Weinstein, BA et al., (2013)** stated the Burden of Total Knee Replacement in the United States. They collected data from primary and revision total knee replacement among adults fifty years of age or older in the U.S. They indicated that 4.0 million adults in the U.S. currently live with a total knee replacement, representing 4.2% of the population fifty years of age or older. The prevalence was higher among females (4.8%) than among males (3.4%) and increased with age. The lifetime risk of primary total knee replacement from the age of twenty-five years was 7.0% for males and 9.5% for females. They concluded that total knee replacement is considerably more prevalent than rheumatoid arthritis. Nearly 1.5 million of those with a primary total knee replacement are fifty to sixty-nine years old, indicating that a large population is at risk for costly revision surgery as well as possible long-term complications of total knee replacement.

**Jason Samona et al., (2012)** conducted an Epidemiological-Based Investigation of orthopedics problems in Tamil Nadu. Data was collected regarding

orthopedic diseases by interview method. Results showed that, 77% of the study population reported some form of disability. 48.6% of the subjects indicated some form of disability in the extremities. 87.1% of the study population undergone orthopedic surgical procedures on the extremities.

**Robert H. Haralson, MD, MBA et al., (2009)** conducted an epidemiological study about major Orthopaedic Surgery worldwide among elderly population. Data monitored and stated that increase in the number of major Orthopaedic surgeries between 2010 and 2020 in the US, Japan, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, and the UK. The number of Orthopaedic surgeries is expected to increase from approximately 5,284,000 surgeries in 2010 to 6,556,000 surgeries in 2020. In 2010, Data monitored that the number of Orthopaedic surgeries are differ significantly by age group. In the seven major markets, approximately 106,900 surgeries in those under the age of 15 years , 579,300 in those between 15 and 44 years and 1,547,400 in those between 45 and 64 years and 3,050,100 surgeries in those over the age of 65 years. They concluded that hip replacement surgery is the most common surgery among the elderly. It is the most commonly performed Orthopaedic surgery overall, despite being almost exclusively limited to those over the age of 50.

## **STUDIES RELATED TO PAIN SEVERITY ON ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY**

**Maren F Lindberg MSc, RN et al., (2013)** conducted a cross sectional survey on Pain characteristics and self-rated health after elective Orthopaedic surgery. 123 elective Orthopaedic inpatients recruited consecutively and Patients were divided into three diagnostic groups: shoulder surgery, hip or knee replacement and other surgery. Patients have completed items about pain intensity. The results showed that



Mean age was 60 years (SD 17.2) and 50% were females. Average pain intensity was 4.2 (SD 2.2) on a 0–10 numeric rating scale and 60% reported moderate/severe pain during the entire hospital stay. Shoulder surgery patients reported significantly higher pain intensity compared to other surgical groups. Pain interfered mostly with daily activity and sleep. Quality of recovery was significantly associated with occupation and administration of analgesics. Higher pain intensity was significantly associated with poorer self-rated health. They concluded that High pain intensity is related to poorer self-rated health. Postoperative pain is under managed, affects functional areas and could delay rehabilitation.

**Hans J. Gerbershagen M.D., PhD et al., (2013)** conducted a Prospective Cohort Study to assess the Pain Intensity on the First Day after Surgery; Comparing 179 Surgical Procedures. 50, 523 patients were selected from 179 surgical groups and they were compared. On the first postoperative day, patients were asked to rate their worst pain intensity since surgery by numeric rating scale, 0–10. Results showed that patients had highest pain scores (median numeric rating scale, 6–7) in 40 surgical procedures and patients with orthopedic problems had worst pain after surgery. They concluded that patients suffering from severe pain after Orthopaedic surgery and various treatments need to reduce post-operative pain.

**V. Wylde et al., (2011)** conducted a study on acute postoperative pain at rest after hip and knee arthroplasty. 105 patients were selected who met inclusion criteria. Pain was assessed preoperatively and then five times daily for the first three postoperative days by using a pain Visual Analogue Scale and short-Form McGill Pain Questionnaire. Results showed that median acute pain scores peaked on the first postoperative day, with 58% of TKR patients and 47% of THR patients reporting

moderate-severe pain. Preoperative pain was most frequently described as aching, stabbing and sharp, whereas acute postoperative pain was described as aching, heavy and tender. Night pain disturbed between 44–57% of TKR patients and 21–52% of THR patients on postoperative nights 1–3.

**Loretta B. Chou, MD, (2008)** conducted a Prospective Study on Postoperative Pain Following Foot and Ankle Surgery. 104 consecutive preoperative Orthopaedic foot and ankle surgery patients were asked to participate in this pain survey. We evaluated the results of 98 patients. There were 48 women and 50 men. The average age was 46.5 (range, 17 to 85). There were 47 patients with chronic conditions (such as deformities, arthritis), 32 with acute problems (fractures, recent injuries), 16 with hardware removal, and two with sports injuries. Pain level was assessed by Short-Form McGill Pain Questionnaire and Visual Analog Scale. Patients were given a SF-MPQ at each of three different time points: (1) 1 to 7 days before the operation (Preoperative Pain) when they did not take pain medication and were asked about their Anticipated Postoperative Pain, (2) 3 days postoperatively, and (3) 6 week after the operation. They concluded that patients with postoperative pain severity experienced greater than pre-surgical pain severity and finally, orthopedic patients had the highest incidence of pain.

## **STUDIES RELATED TO NEED FOR INCREASED AMOUNT OF ANALGESICS AMONG ORTHOPAEDIC SURGICAL PATIENTS**

**Margaret P. Ekstein MDet al., (2011)** conducted a cohort study on immediate postoperative pain in Orthopaedic patients is more intense and requires more analgesia than in post-laparotomy patients. 325 samples were selected and pain level was obtained by using visual analog scale. The results showed that the overall

rate of immediate severe postoperative pain was 9.4% and 123 (6.6%) of subjects were laparotomy patients and 202 (12.7%) of subjects were orthopedic patients. Pain in the laparotomy patients identified as suffering from severe pain was controlled with  $1.21 \pm 0.45$  doses of analgesics compared with  $1.37 \pm 0.62$  ( $P < 0.0001$ ) in the orthopedic counterparts. They were concluded that patients suffered from severe immediate postoperative pain in Orthopaedic surgery than laparotomy surgery and Orthopaedic patients required more analgesia than that dictated by existing PACU analgesia protocols.

**Ingrid Tennant et al(2009)** conducted a survey on the post-operative pain experience and an assessment of analgesic administration in elective surgical patients at a teaching hospital in Kingston, Jamaica. 499 patients were participated and in that 290 gynecological and 209 orthopedic patients. Data was collected by trained personnel via a postoperative interview and review of in-patient charts 24 to 48 hours after anesthesia. A verbal numerical rating scale (VNRS) of 0 to 10 was used to assess pain severity. Result showed that the majority of patients had general anesthesia (80.5%). No pain was reported by 10.6% of patients, 20.8% had mild pain (scores of 1-3), 26.3% had moderate pain (4-6), and 42.3% experienced severe pain (7-10). Younger patients (<60 years) and those having undergone orthopedic procedures reported more severe postoperative pain ( $p < 0.001$  and  $p = 0.001$  respectively). Opioid analgesics were administered as ordered in only 33.9% of orthopedic surgical patients and gynecological patients were less likely to receive opioids at the prescribed dosing intervals ( $p < 0.001$ ). Most patients at this institution still experience moderate to severe pain postoperatively. They concluded that, need for greater resources to control the acute pain in the peri-operative period.

**Sigma Theta Tau International, (2009)** conducted a study to assess need of analgesics on postoperative pain of patients undergone elective abdominal surgery and Orthopaedic surgery. A quasi-experimental design was used and convenient samples of 60. Pain was measured by Verbal Rating Scale. Analgesics were administered as per patient's pain level and intensity of pain was monitored before and immediately after analgesics administration, during the 1st and 2nd postoperative day for both the groups. Results revealed that those patients undergone ortho surgery had significant differences ( $p < 0.001$ ) in pain scores when compared to the abdominal surgery. The conclusion of study showed that need of analgesics was increased with Patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

**McDonagh(2008)** conducted a study on postoperative pain severity and analgesics after abdominal or Orthopaedic surgery .They have selected 60 persons who underwent total abdominal hysterectomy (TAH), total hip or knee replacement (THR, TKR) and pain level was completed by a modified version of the American Pain Society (APS),Quality Improvement questionnaire within 24 hours before leaving the hospital. Pain was rated on a 0 (no pain) – 10 (worst pain possible) analog scale. Result showed that Mean age was 43.7 years for TAH (n 7), 55.0 years for THR (n 4), and 61.8 years for TKR patients (n 6). Mean length of stay (days) was 3.6 overall, 3.2 for TAH, 3.8 for THR, and 4.2 for TKR. Mean pain levels were 3.2, 4.1 and 2.2 for persons after TAH, THR, and TKR, respectively. Mean worst pain was 7.8, 9.1 and 8.0 for TAH, THR, and TKR patients, respectively. Pain was most severe on the first or second day after surgery for 86.7%, 75.0%, and 100% of TAH, TKR, and THR patients, respectively and they need increase dose of analgesics for patients with ortho surgery compare than abdominal surgery. They concluded that

Postoperative pain was most severe on the first and second days after ortho surgery than abdominal surgery.

## **STUDIES RELATED TO ILL-EFFECTS OF ANALGESICS**

**Benyamin R et al., (2008)** indicated the role of opioids in the treatment of chronic pain after Orthopaedic surgery is also influenced by the fact that these potent analgesics are associated with a significant number of side effects and complications. Common side effects of opioid administration include sedation, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, constipation, physical dependence, tolerance, and respiratory depression.. Less common side effects may include delayed gastric emptying, hyperalgesia, immunologic and hormonal dysfunction, muscle rigidity, and myoclonus. The most common side effects of opioid usage are constipation (which has a very high incidence) and nausea. These 2 side effects can be difficult to manage and frequently tolerance to them does not develop; this is especially true for constipation. They concluded that Proper patient screening, education, and pre-emptive treatment of potential side effects may aid in maximizing effectiveness while reducing the severity of side effects and adverse events. Opioids can be considered broad spectrum analgesic agents, affecting a wide number of organ systems and influencing a large number of body functions.

**Keith Candiotti, MD et al., (2007)** stated the use of analgesics in post-operative Orthopaedic pain management. Adverse reactions to analgesics can be a limiting factor in the effective use of these drugs. In a study of patients taking analgesics for prolonged periods of time, 80 percent of patients reported at least 1 adverse event, and 24 percent of patients discontinued therapy due to an adverse event. Evaluation of the discontinuations due to adverse events demonstrated that

constipation (41 percent), nausea (32 percent), vomiting (15 percent), and somnolence (29 percent) were the most common reasons cited for cessation of therapy.

**Joseph et al., (2006)** conducted a study on adverse effects among primary care patients taking opioids for pain after Orthopaedic surgery. A prevalence study was conducted on a sample of 1,009 patients (889 receiving chronic opioids) being treated by 235 primary care physicians. Standardized questionnaires and medical record reviews were used to assess rates of pain diagnosis and severity, opioid adverse effects, and mental health. The mean daily dose of opioids was 92 mg using a morphine-equivalent conversion. Side effects included constipation (40 percent), sleeping problems (25 percent), loss of appetite (23 percent), and sexual dysfunction (18 percent), with patients on daily opioids experiencing more side effects than subjects on intermittent medication. They concluded that Physicians should closely monitor patients for adverse effects and adequacy of pain control.

## **STUDIES RELATED TO EFFECTIVENESS OF BACK MASSAGE IN REDUCING POSTOPERATIVE PAIN AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF SLEEP AMONG PATIENTS UNDERGONE ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY.**

**Glenda Keller (2012)** conducted a study to evaluate the effects of back massage after decompression and fusion surgery of lumbar spine among clients with 47 years old female who underwent spinal surgery due to chronic disc herniation symptoms. Data was obtained by using visual analog scale and Hamstring length scale. 30 minutes back massage and myofascial technique were applied to the experimental group. The results showed that pre and post test values are significantly

different at  $p < 0.001$ . They concluded that massage for pain had short term effects and have positive effects in the reduction of pain and disability.

**FundaBuyukyilmax PhD, RN and TurkinazAski PhD, RN (2011)** conducted a study to assess the effectiveness of Relaxation techniques and Back massage on pain and anxiety in hip or knee arthroplasty patients. 60 patients were randomly assigned to either experimental and control group. The Mc Gill pain questionnaire short form and state anxiety, vital signs inventory were used to measure the pain level before and after intervention. 30 minutes back massage and relaxation techniques received by experimental group. The results showed that statistically significant difference in pain intensity ( $F=14.50$ ;  $P=0.0001$ ), Anxiety level ( $F=19.13$ ;  $P=0.0001$ ) and vital signs ( $F=169.61$ ;  $P=0.0001$ ) between control and experimental group. They were concluded that use of back massage and relaxation techniques at bed rest times of patients to decrease pain and anxiety. It should be implemented by nurses into routine plan of care for patients.

**Eghbali M, Lellahgani H et al., (2010)** conducted a study to evaluate the effectiveness of back massage on pain severity in Orthopaedic surgical patients. 60 arthroscopic knee surgical patients were selected and they were randomly divided into experimental and control group. In experimental group, patients were massaged by researcher along with bed side routine treatments for 5 weeks. Pain severity was evaluated before and after the massage therapy by using visual analog scale. Data analysis revealed a meaningful difference between mean score of pain severity before and after the massage in intervention group. The result showed that back massage is one of the effective treatments for reducing pain in orthopedic surgical patients.

**Mary Walton et al., (2009)** conducted a study to find out the immediate effects of effleurage back massage on physiological and psychological relaxation of

Orthopaedic surgical patients. 60 adult clients were selected by purposive sampling technique. They were divided into two groups of experimental and control. Data was obtained by using visual analog scale, Anxiety scale and Vital signs inventory scale and patients were turned to back massage who were in experimental group. Physiological and psychological parameters were assessed after 5<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> minutes of back massage. Data analysis revealed that comparison of physiological and psychological parameters before and after back massage. T value was 2.58 at 0.05 levels. Finally they concluded that massage was effective in all the physiological and psychological parameters(Pain, Anxiety, and Vital signs) and nurses could implement this intervention along with routine treatment.

**Mitchinson.AR et al (2007)** conducted a randomized trial study to assess the acute post-operative pain management using massage as an adjuvant therapy for Orthopaedic patients. 605 patients were selected and divided into 2 groups like (i) control (routine care) (ii) back massage given (20 minutes) for 5 post-operative days. Results showed that compared with control group, patients in the massage group experienced short term decrease in pain intensity ( $P=0.001$ ) and patients in back massage group experienced a faster rate of decrease in pain intensity ( $P=0.02$ ).

**Esther Moke and Chin Pang Woo (2004)** conducted a study to assess the effects of slow back massage on shoulder pain and anxiety among patients undergone plate removal surgery. 102 patients were selected randomly and assigned to experimental and control group. The intervention consisted of 10 minutes back massage for 7 consecutive evenings among experimental group. Results showed that massage intervention significantly reduced the patient's level of pain perception and anxiety and improved their quality of recovery. It was an effective nursing intervention for reducing shoulder pain and anxiety in patients with plate removal.



## **CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK**

Polit and Hungler stated that the conceptual framework is inter related concepts on abstractions that are assembled together in some rational by virtue of this relevance to a common scheme. It is a device that helps to stimulate research and the extension of knowledge by providing both direction and impetus.

The present study was aimed at determining the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery. The conceptual framework of this study was derived from Gate control theory.

### **GATE CONTROL THEORY OF PAIN**

The gate control theory first postulated by Ronald Melzack and Patrick David Wall in 1965. This theory suggests that for pain to pass through the gate there must be unopposed passage for nociceptive information arriving at the synapses in the substantia gelatinosa. The pain impulses will be carried out by the small diameters, slow conducting A<sub>δ</sub> and C fibers. Impulses travelled through small diameter fibers will open the pain gate and the person feels pain. Pain gate is also receiving impulses produced by stimulation of thermo receptors or mechano receptors transmitted via large diameter myelinated A<sub>β</sub> fibers inhibit and super impose the small diameter impulse. Many non-pharmacological procedures such as application of pressure, TENS stimulate the nerve endings connected with large diameter fibres which can produce a reduction of pain by closing the pain gate.

If nociceptive information is allowed through the gate then this traffic will continue up the lateral spino-thalamic tract of the spinal cord to the thalamus, and

from here to the cerebral cortex. As this stimulus passes through the brain stem it may cause an interaction between the grey matter and the mid brain, hence transmitting the pain. Suppression system and their descending neurons can release an endogenous opiate substance into substantia gelatinosa at spinal cord level. The chemical nature of this endogenous opiate, which may be endorphin or enkephalin, is such as to cause inhibition of transmission in the nociceptive circuit synapses. This is achieved by blocking the release of the chemical transmitter (substance P) in the pain circuit.

Based on the principles of gate control theory, the conceptual framework was developed. Methods used to reduce the pain are influenced by selected variables such as age, gender, education, occupation, history of previous surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration, types of ortho surgery, and types of anesthesia.

## **POST-OPERATIVE PAIN**

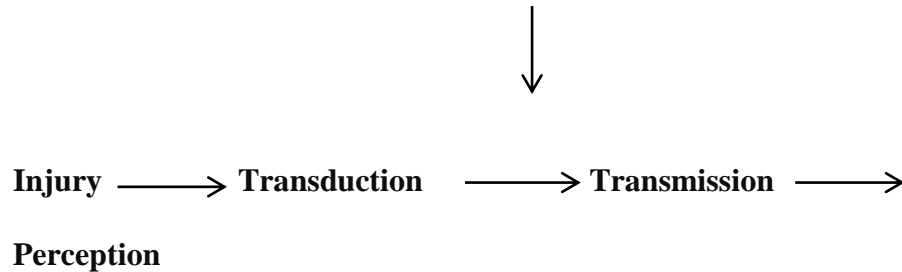
Post-operative pain is caused by the interaction of number of physiologic and psychologic factors. The skin and underlying tissue have been traumatized by the incision and retraction during surgery.

## **PATHOPHYSIOLOGY**

Physiologic processes, including the activity of neuro transmitters, are operative at multiple sites along this structural pathway to aid in conveying the signal. This process is referred to as nociception. Nociceptive process begins at peripheral level. When damage occurs, biochemical agents that initiate and sensitize the nociceptive response are released. These agents include potassium, substance P,

bradykinin, prostaglandin and others. The initial injury provokes a series of physiologic events;

## **MODULATION**

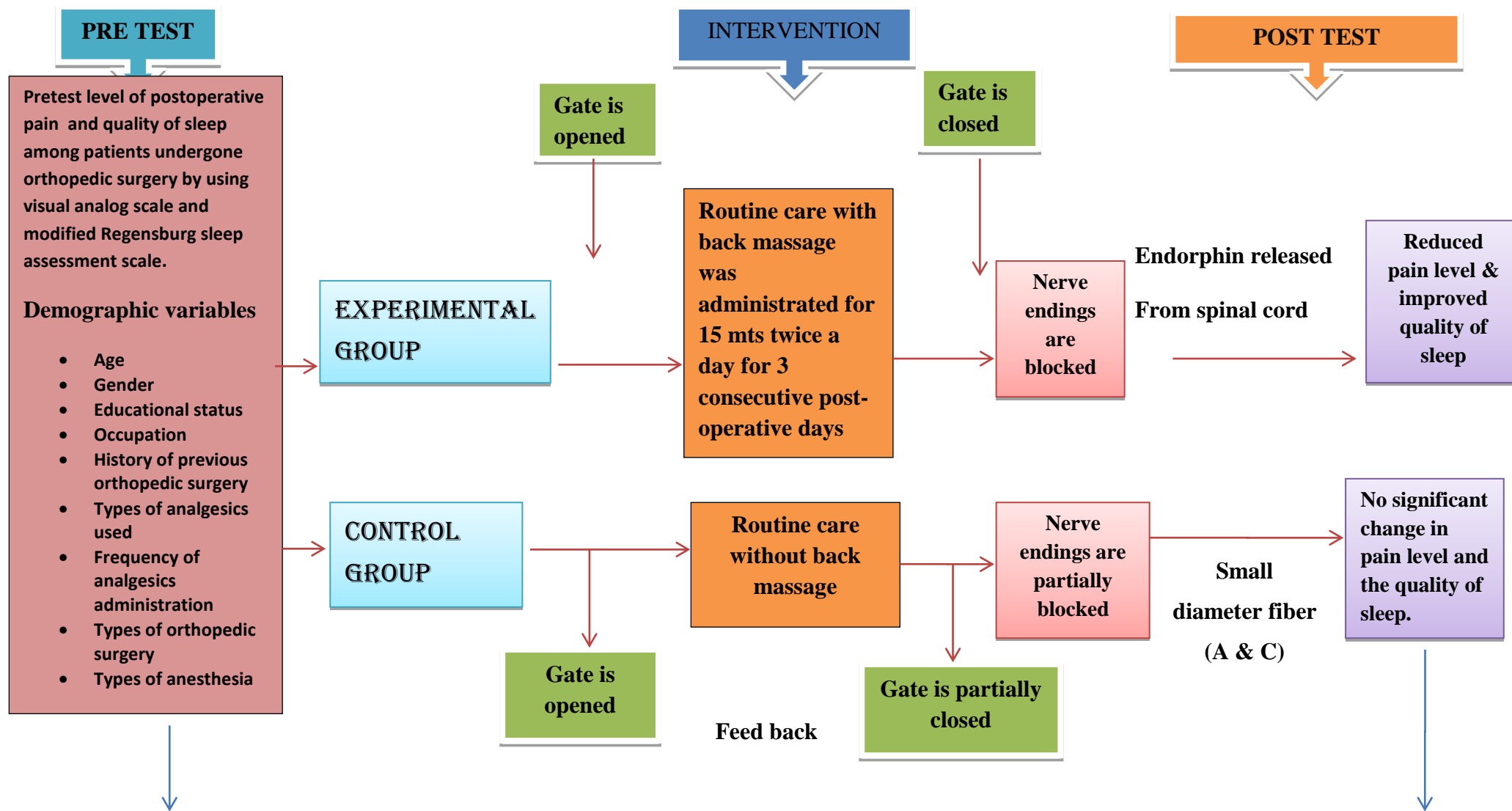


### **The Nociceptive Process**

The sensory experience of pain depends on interaction between the nervous system and the environment.

## **GATING MECHANISM**

During the post-operative period pain impulses are transmitted through spinal nerve segment of T<sub>11-12</sub> and accessory lower thoracic and upper lumbar sympathetic nerve which are travelled through(A,αand C) small diameter and slow conducting myelinatedfibres and reach the pain gate and open the gate ,thus patient perceives pain. Impulses from back massage travels through fast conducting myelinated A, β fibres which super impose small fibres and closes the pain gate and endorphin which is released from the inter neuron at spinal cord level which also closes the gate of pain. Thus patient perceives reduction in pain level.



**Figure.1: Conceptual Framework based on Modified Wall & Melzack's Gate Control Theory (1965)**

# **CHAPTER-III**

## **METHODOLOGY**

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The methodology of research indicates the general pattern of organizing, the procedure for gathering valid and reliable data for the problem under investigation. **(Polit and Beck, 2010).**

This chapter deals with the research approach ,research design, variables under the study, setting of the study, population of the study, sample size, sampling technique, criteria for selection of the sample, development and description of the tool, validity and reliability of the tool, pilot study, procedure for data collection and statistical analysis.

### **RESEARCH APPROACH**

The investigator has adopted quantitative evaluative approach because the aim of the investigator is to determine the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

### **RESEARCH DESIGN**

Research design is the overall plan for obtaining an answer, to the research question for testing the research hypothesis. **[Polit and Hungler 1999]**

The research design is quasi experimental non randomized control group pretest posttest design is adopted.

Quasi experimental design involves the manipulation of an independent variable that is an intervention. Quasi experimental design lacks randomization, the signature of a true experiment **(Polit and Beck, 2010)**

**The design can be represented based on Level of post-operative pain:**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Days</b>		<b>pretest</b>	<b>Manipulation</b>	<b>Posttest</b>
Experimental	Day-I	Morning	O <sub>1</sub>	X	O <sub>2</sub>
		Evening	O <sub>3</sub>	X	O <sub>4</sub>
	Day-II	Morning	O <sub>5</sub>	X	O <sub>6</sub>
		Evening	O <sub>7</sub>	X	O <sub>8</sub>
	Day-III	Morning	O <sub>9</sub>	X	O <sub>10</sub>
		Evening	O <sub>11</sub>	X	O <sub>12</sub>
Control	Day-I	Morning	O <sub>1</sub>	-	O <sub>2</sub>
		Evening	O <sub>3</sub>	-	O <sub>4</sub>
	Day-II	Morning	O <sub>5</sub>	-	O <sub>6</sub>
		Evening	O <sub>7</sub>	-	O <sub>8</sub>
	Day-III	Morning	O <sub>9</sub>	-	O <sub>10</sub>
		Evening	O <sub>11</sub>	-	O <sub>12</sub>

**Key:**

**O<sub>1</sub>**-Morning Pre test level of pain on the first Post operative day

**O<sub>2</sub>**- Morning Post test level of pain on the first post operative day

**O<sub>3</sub>**-Evening Pre test level of pain on the first post operative day

**O<sub>4</sub>**-Evening post test level of pain on first post operative day

**O<sub>5</sub>**-Morning Pre test level of pain on second post operative day

**O<sub>6</sub>**-Morning Post test level of pain on second post operative day

**O7**-Evening Pre test level of pain on second post operative day

**O8**-Evening post test level of pain on second post operative day

**O9**-Morning Pre test level of pain on third post operative day

**O10**-Morning Post test level of pain on third post operative day

**O11**-Evening Pre test level of pain on third post operative day

**O12**-Evening post test level of pain on third post operative day

**X** - Back massage

**The design can be represented based on Level of quality of sleep;**

<b>Study subjects</b>	<b>Pre test</b>	<b>Manipulation</b>	<b>Post test</b>
Experimental group	O <sub>1</sub>	X	O <sub>2</sub>
Control group	O <sub>1</sub>	-	O <sub>2</sub>

**Key:**

**O1**-Pre test level of quality of sleep on first post operative day

**X**-Back massage

**O2**-Post test level of quality of sleep on third post-operative day.

## **VARIABLES UNDER THE STUDY**

### **INDEPENDENT VARIABLES**

Variables that are purposely manipulated or changed by the researcher also called manipulated variables.

Back massage includes effleurage, petrissage, tapotement, friction.



## **DEPENDENT VARIABLES**

Variables that change as the independent variable is manipulated by the researcher, sometimes called the criterion variables.

Reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients have undergone orthopedic Surgery.

## **EXTRANEOUS VARIABLES**

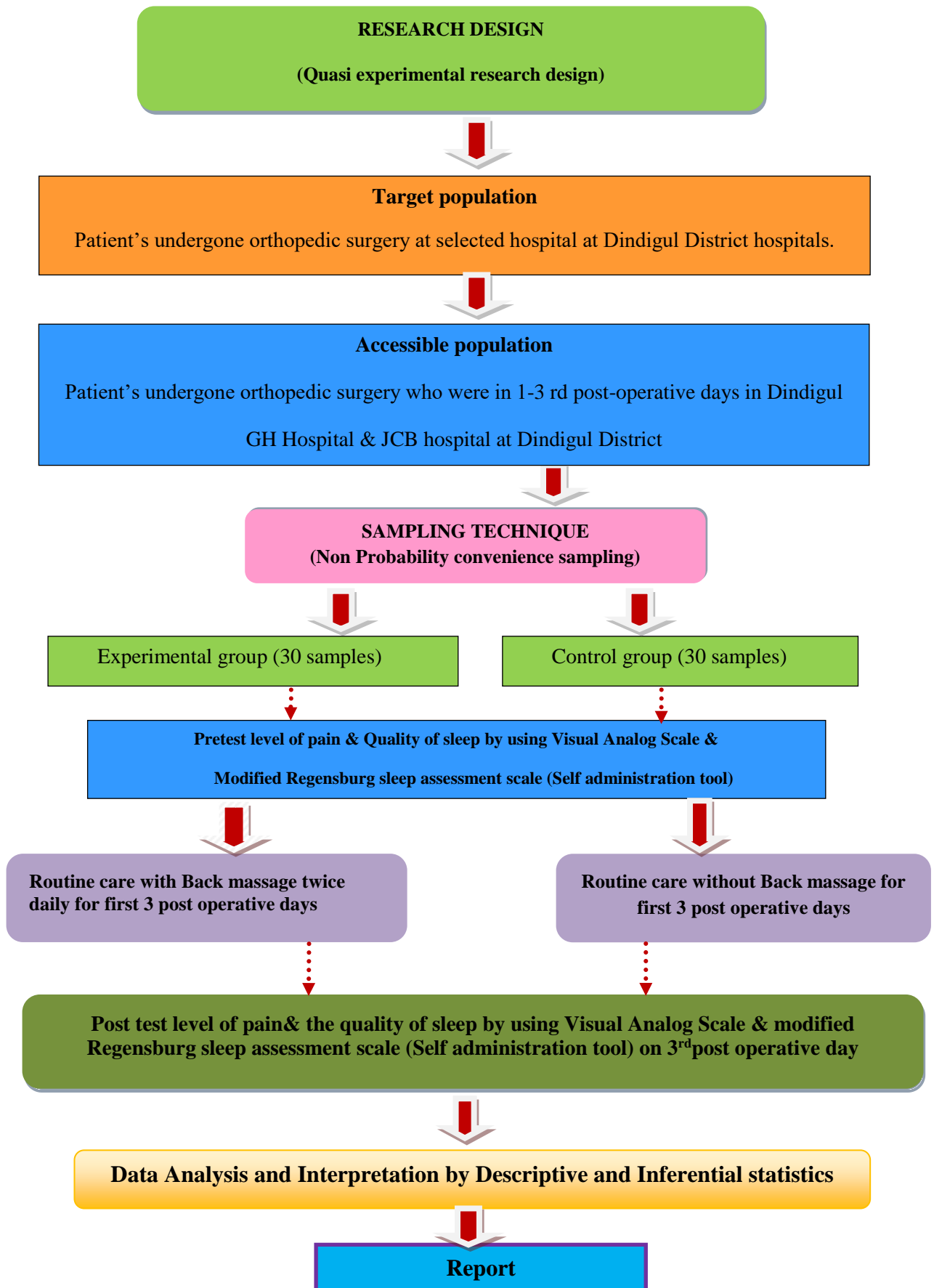
Extraneous variables are the factors that are not the part of the study but may affect the measurement of the study variables

Demographic variables include Age, Gender, Educational status, Occupation, History of previous surgery, Types of analgesics used, and Frequency of analgesics administration, Types of orthosurgery, and Types of anesthesia.

## **SETTINGS OF THE STUDY**

The study is conducted among patients undergone orthopedic Surgery at selected hospital in Dindigul. Dindigul government hospital is selected for experimental group and JCB hospital is selected for control group of this study. JCB hospital is situated around 20 km and Dindigul government hospital is situated around 25 km from the Sakthi College of nursing. The settings of both hospitals are similar in facilities such as surgical procedures, postoperative care, rooms, environment, daily routine care and activities.

**Figure – 2 : Schematic representation of the research methodology**



## **POPULATION OF THE STUDY**

The **target population** is the group of population that the researcher aims to and to whom the study findings will be generalized. In this study the target population comprises of all patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul district.

The **accessible population** of this study is selected patients undergone orthopedic surgeries who were in 1-3<sup>rd</sup> post-operative days at Dindigul government hospital & JCB hospital in Dindigul district.

## **SAMPLE**

Sample may defined as representative unit of a target population, which is to be worked upon by researches during study.

Patients' undergone orthopedic surgery of upper and lower extremities who were in 1-3<sup>rd</sup> post operative days in selected hospitals at Dindigul district.

## **SAMPLE SIZE**

Sample size means very large samples become heterogeneous and do not exhibit characteristics of whole population in general also there are always chances of a biased sample. If sample is too small, researcher may not be able to generalize the study findings to the whole population.

The selected sample size is 60.

30 samples in Experimental group.

30 samples in Control group.

## **SAMPLING TECHNIQUE**

Sampling is the process of selecting a representative part of the population. The sampling technique adopted for the study is Convenience sampling technique.

## **INCLUSION CRITERIA**

**The study included patients who are**

1. Above 20 years of age group
2. Undergone orthopedic surgery of upper and lower extremities and who are in 1-3<sup>rd</sup> post operative days.
3. Receiving post operative analgesics twice a day
4. Not having back abnormalities and can be able to turn for back massage.

## **EXCLUSION CRITERIA**

**The study excluded patients who are**

1. Unconscious
2. Using any other complimentary therapies like acupuncture, TENS
3. Unable to read and write Tamil
4. Not willing to participate in the study.

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE TOOL**

Data collection instrument consists of three Sections

Section- I Demographic variables

Section-II Visual analog scale

Section-III Modified Regensburg sleep assessment Scale

## **SECTION I**

### **Demographic variables**

Consists of questions to elicit demographic data such as, Age, Gender, Education, Occupation, History of previous surgery, Types of analgesics used, Frequency of analgesics administration, Types of orthosurgery and Types of anesthesia

## **SECTION II**

### **Visual analog scale**

The visual analog scale (VAS) is one of the most commonly used measures of pain intensity and is usually a horizontal line, 100 mm in length, anchored by word descriptors at each end like no pain to severe pain.

### **SCORING PROCEDURE**

0-4mm	-	No pain
5-44mm	-	Mild pain
45-74mm	-	Moderate pain
75-100mm	-	Severe pain

## **SECTION-III**

### **Modified Regensburg sleep assessment Scale**

The sleep assessment scale consists of 10 questions based on modified Regensburg sleep assessment Scale distributed on sleep related questions developed for the assessment of the quality of sleep after surgery.

### **SCORING INTERPRETATION**

0-10 = low sleep disturbances

11-20 =Mild sleep disturbance

21-30=Moderate sleep disturbance

31-40 =severe sleep disturbance

## **VALITY OF THE TOOL**

The validity of tool obtained from the 5 experts in the field of nursing and medicine. The suggestions and advices given by the experts were considered and duly corrected.

## **RELIABILITY OF THE TOOL**

Reliability is the degree of consistency or dependability with which instrument measures the attribute is designed to measure.

The reliability of the visual analog scale was assessed by using test retest method. The visual analog scale was reliable at  $r=0.94$  and Modified the quality of sleep assessment scale was assessed by using cronbach's alpha formula and was reliable at  $r = 0.84$ . Hence the tool was considered for proceeding.

## **PILOT STUDY**

The pilot study was conducted to find out the feasibility of the study. It was conducted in Sakthi hospital at Oddanchatram among 6 patients undergone orthopedic surgery, 3 were in experimental and 3 were in control group. The results of the pilot study showed that the study was feasible.

## **PROCEDURE FOR DATA COLLECTION**

The investigator got formal permission from the college authority, Sakthi College of nursing and concerned authority of both hospitals. The study participants those who fulfill the inclusion criteria were selected by convenience sampling techniques. 30 subjects were assigned in experimental group and 30 in control group.

Brief explanation about the purpose of the study is given to the subjects. Assurance is given that the data will be utilized only for the purpose of the study. Oral consent is obtained from each subject and maintained the confidentiality.

First investigator established the good rapport and introduced the study topic to the patients. The investigator collected data regarding demographic variables. The visual analog scale was used to assess the level of pain in experimental group before each back massage. The back massage was given to the experimental group twice daily for 15-20 minutes on 1-3 post-operative days before giving analgesics. The post test was conducted in experimental group 1 hour after each back massage. For control group, the visual analog scale was used to assess the pre test level of pain twice daily for 1-3 post-operative days before giving analgesics and post test level of pain was assessed 1 hour of each pre test assessment. The modified Regensburg sleep assessment scale was used to assess the pre test level of quality of sleep in research group on first post operative day and the post test level of quality of recovery on third post operative day.

Weeks	Activity	Samples	
		Control group	Experimental group
1 <sup>st</sup> week	Pre test-Post test	16 samples	-
2 <sup>nd</sup> week	Pre test-Post test	14 samples	-
3 <sup>rd</sup> week	Pre test-intervention-Post test	-	9 samples
4 <sup>th</sup> week	Pre test-intervention-Post test	-	10 samples
5 <sup>th</sup> week	Pre test-intervention-Post test	-	11 samples
6 <sup>th</sup> week	Data analysis & interpretation	30 samples	30 samples

## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Collected data were analyzed by descriptive and inferential statistics. The data related to demographic variables were analyzed by using descriptive measures

(frequency, percentage distribution). Inferential statistics of t-test was used to evaluate the effectiveness of back massage on level of pain and the quality of sleep. Karl Pearson's correlation co-efficient test was used to analyze the correlation between level of pain and the quality of sleep. Chi-square test was used to associate the level of pain and the quality of sleep among patients' undergone orthopedic surgery and their selected demographic variables.

## **HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION**

The study was conducted after getting the approval from the ethical committee. Permission was obtained from authority of both hospitals. The purpose and other details of the study were explained to the study subjects and oral consent was obtained from them.



**CHAPTER-IV**  
**DATA ANALYSIS**  
**AND**  
**INTERPRETATION**

## CHAPTER – IV

### DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

This chapter deals with the description of the study subjects, clinical parameters, analysis and interpretation of data collected to evaluate the Effectiveness of Back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals. The data collected were compiled analyzed and interpreted as follows:-

- Section-A** : Distribution of subjects Based on Demographic variables
- Section -B** : Assessment of pre and post test level of pain and the quality of Sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the Control and Experimental group.
- Section –C** : Effectiveness of Back massage on level of pain and the quality of Sleep Among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the Experimental group.
- Section –D** : Correlation between level of pain and the quality of sleep among Patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the Control and Experimental group.
- Section –E** : (a) Association between the pre test levels of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and selected demographic variables.
- (b) Association between the pre test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and selected demographic variables.

## Section – A

**Data on the demographic variables of patients undergone orthopedic surgery in control and experimental group**

**Table - 1: Frequency and percentage distribution of demographic variables of patients' undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental and control group.**

**N=30+30**

Demographic data	Experimental group		Control group	
	Frequency	Percentage(%)	frequency	Percentage(%)
<b>1.Age(in years):</b>				
a) 20-40	6	20	4	13.3
b) 41-60	11	36.6	12	40
c) 61-80	11	36.6	11	36.6
d) Above 81	2	6.6	3	10
<b>2.Gender:</b>				
a) Male	13	43.3	16	53.3
b) Female	17	56.6	14	46.6
<b>3.Educational status:</b>				
a) Illiterate	9	30	5	16.6
b) Primary	5	16.6	11	36.6
c) High school	9	30	9	30
d) Higher secondary & above	7	23.3	5	16.6
<b>4.Occupation</b>				
a) Home maker	7	23.3	5	16.6
b) Private employee	2	6.6	4	13.3
c) Government	5	16.6	7	23.3
employee	6	20	6	20
d) Self employed	10	33.3	8	26.6

<b>5.History of previous orthopedic surgery</b>				
a) Yes	13	43.3	12	40
b) No	17	56.6	18	60
<b>6.Types of analgesics used</b>				
a) Oral	13	43.3	11	36.6
b) Parenteral	17	56.6	19	63.3
<b>7.Frequency of analgesics administration</b>				
a) Once a day	6	20	9	30
b) Twice a day	24	80	21	70
<b>8.Types of orthopedic surgery</b>				
a) Upper extremity	10	33.3	13	43.3
b) Lower extremity	20	66.6	17	56.6
<b>9.Types of anesthesia</b>				
a) Spinal	23	76.6	25	83.3
b) General	4	13.3	3	10
c) Regional	3	10	2	6.6

Table 1 describes the distribution of subjects in experimental and control group according to age, gender, educational status, occupation, history of previous surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration, types of ortho surgery, types of anesthesia of patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

With regard to age, 11 (36.6%) in experimental group and 12(40%) in control group belonged to the age group of 40 to 60 years and 2 (6.6%) in experimental group and 3(10%) in control group belonged to the age group of above 80 years.

Considering the sex, 17 (56.6%) subjects in the experimental group and 14 (46.6%) in the control group were females and the remaining were males.

In relation to education, 9(30%) of them had high school education and 5(16.6%) of them had primary education in experimental group and 9(30%) of them had high school education and 11(36.6%) of them had primary education in control group.

With regard to the occupation, 10(33.3%) were agriculture workers and 2(6.6%) were private employees in experimental group and 8(26.6%) were agriculture workers and 4(13.3%) were private employees in the control group.

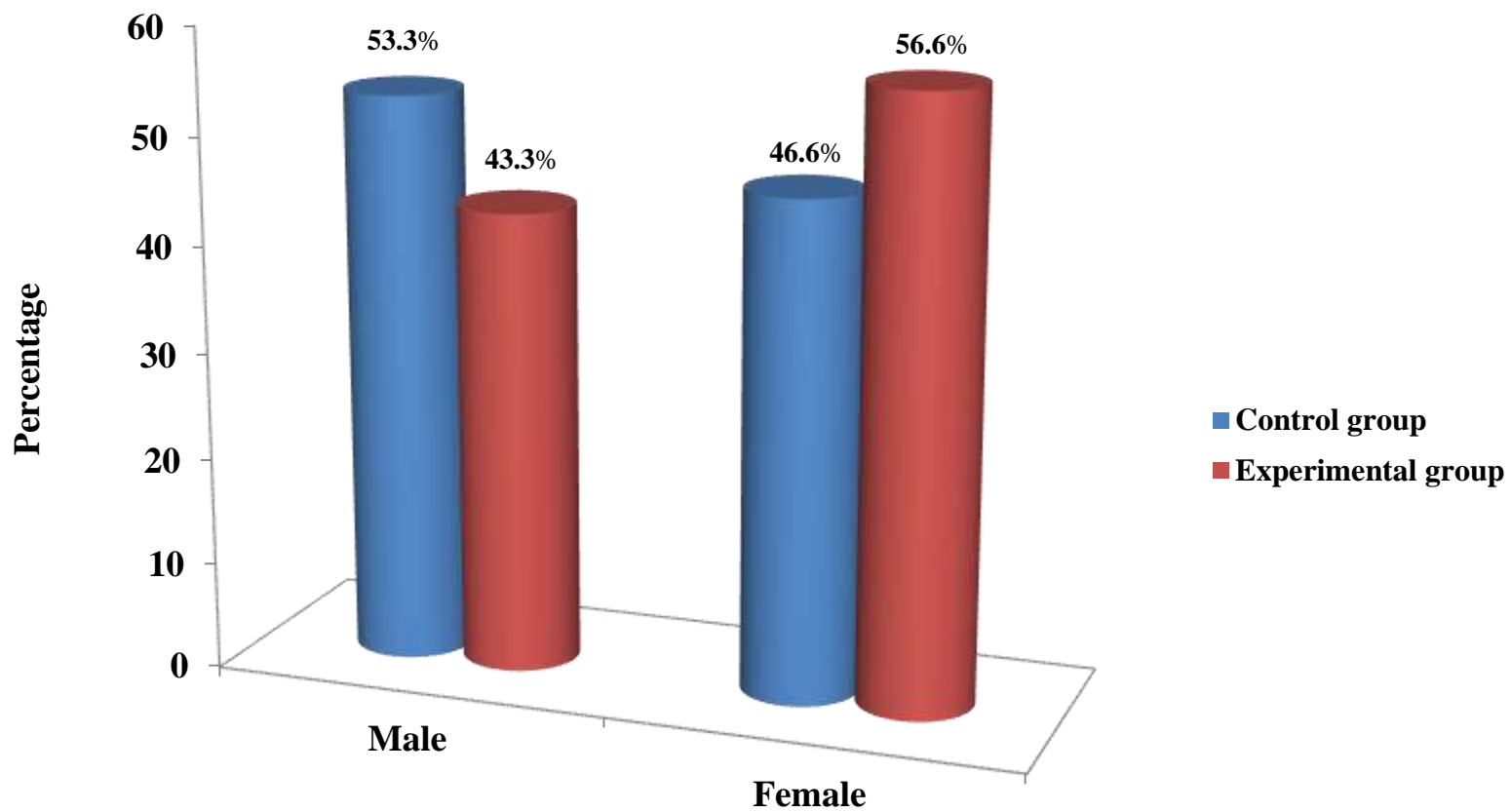
Regarding the history of previous orthopedic surgery, 17(56.6%) in experimental group and 18(60%) in control group had no history of previous orthopedic surgery.

Considering the types of analgesics used, 17(56.6%) subjects in experimental group and 19 (63.3%) in control group had parenteral type of analgesics used.

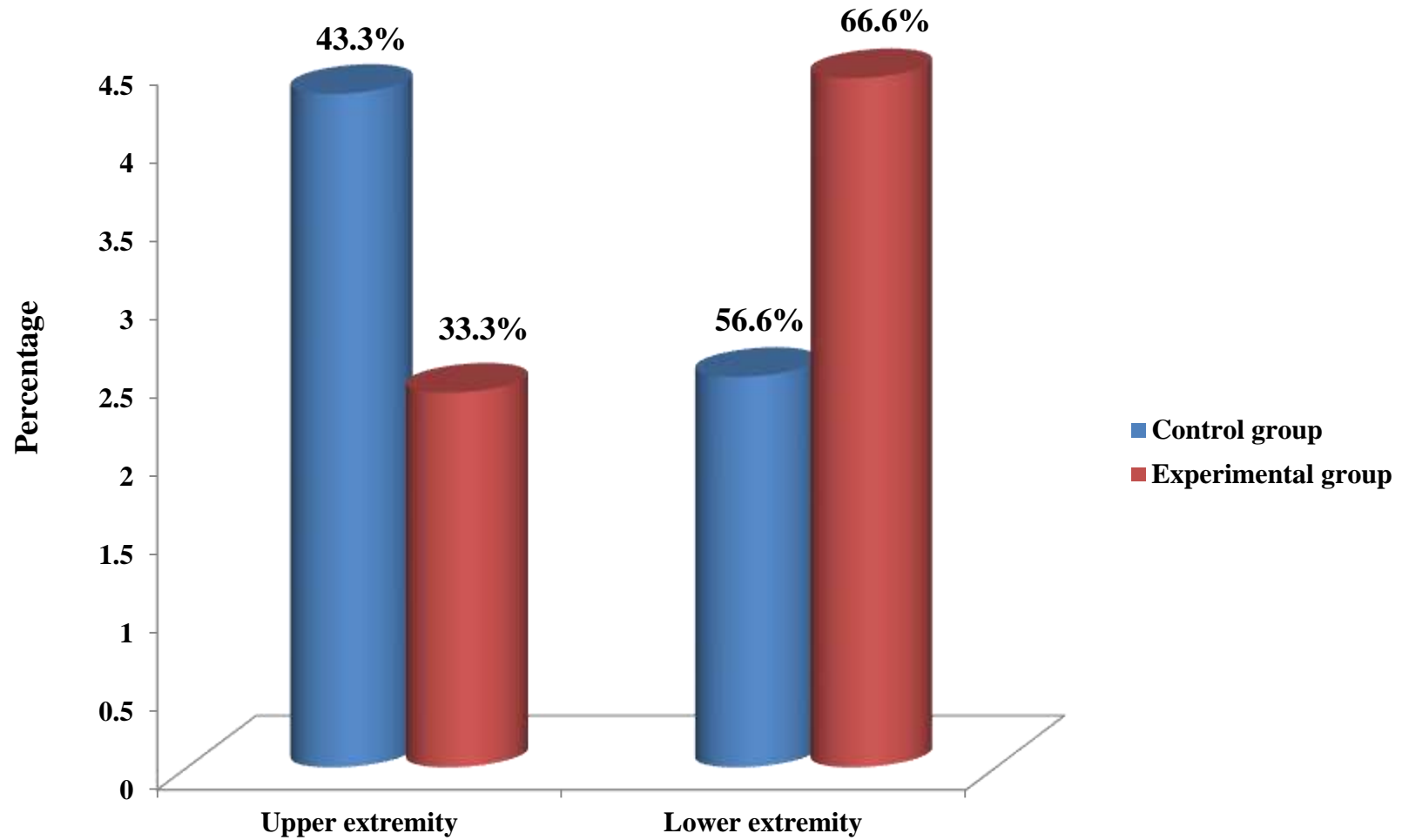
In relation to frequency of analgesics administration, 24(80%) of them in the experimental group and 21(70%) of them in the control group got analgesics twice a day.

With respect to types of orthopedic surgery, 20(66.6%) subjects in experimental group and 17(56.6%) in the control group had lower extremity orthopedic surgery.

With regard to the types of anesthesia, 23(76.6%) subjects in the experimental group and 25(83.3%) of subjects in the control group undergone spinal anesthesia and 3(10%) subjects in the experimental group and 2(6.6%) subjects in the control group undergone regional anesthesia.



**Figure-3 : Distribution of subjects based on their gender in the control and experimental group**



**Figure-4 : Distribution of subjects based on their types of orthopaedic surgery in the control and experimental group**

## SECTION – B

### Data on the effectiveness of back massage on reducing post-operative pain among orthopaedic surgery in control group

**Table – 2: Frequency and percentage distribution of subjects based on pre and posttest level of pain in the control group.**

**N=30**

LEVEL OF PAIN	DAY-I				DAY-II				DAY-III			
	Pre Test		Post Test		Pre Test		Post Test		Pre Test		Post Test	
	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%
<b>No Pain</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Mild</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3.3	-	-
<b>Moderate</b>	3	10	4	13.3	3	10	4	13.3	2	6.6	5	16.6
<b>Severe</b>	27	90	26	86.6	27	90	26	86.6	27	90	25	83.3

The table 2 shows that the pretest level of pain in control group on day I and Day-II, 27 subjects (90%) had severe level of pain and 3 subjects (10%) had moderate level of pain. And the post test level of pain in control group on day 1 and day 11, 26 subjects (86.6%) had severe level of pain and 4 subjects (13.3%) had moderate level of pain. The pre test level of pain in control group on Day-III, 1 subject (3.3%) had mild level of pain, and 2 subjects (6.6%) had moderate level of pain and 27 subjects (90%) had severe level of pain. The post test level of pain in control group on day- III, 5 subjects (16.6%) had moderate level of pain, 25 subjects (83.3%), had severe level of pain.



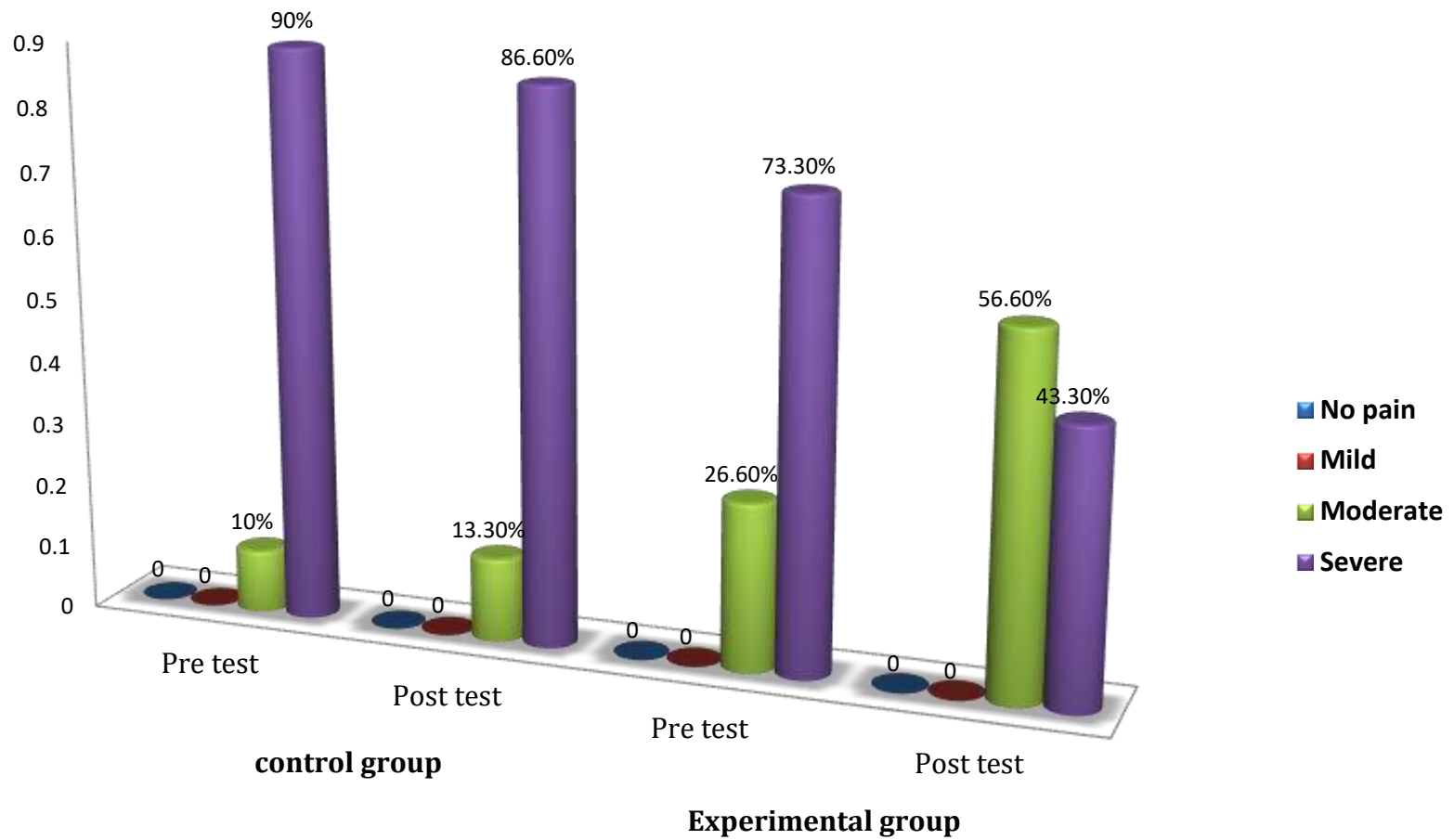
**Data on the effectiveness of back massage on reducing post-operative  
pain among Orthopaedic surgery in experimental group**

**Table – 3: Frequency and percentage distribution of subjects based  
on pre and post test level of pain in the experimental group.**

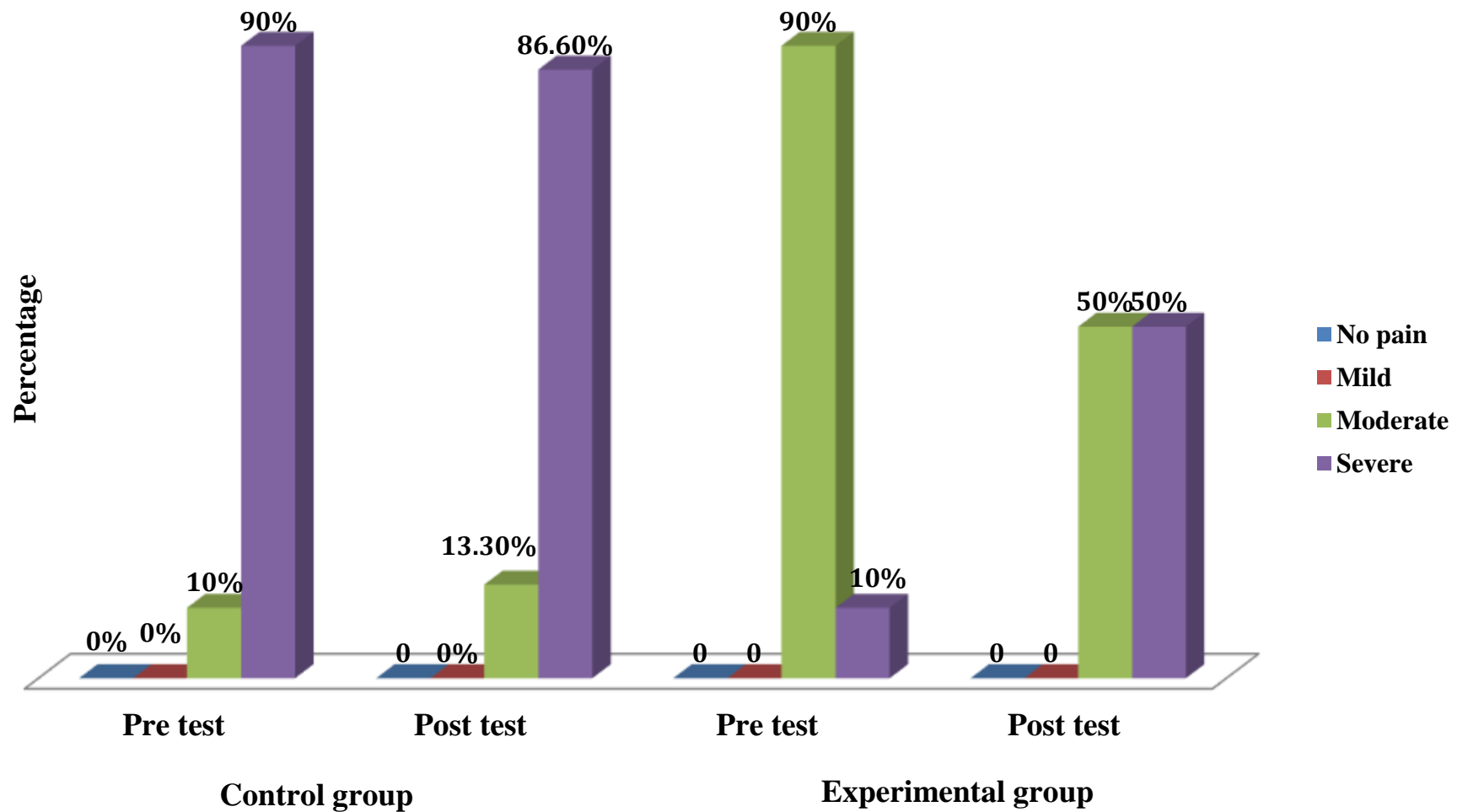
**N=30**

<b>LEVEL OF PAIN</b>	<b>DAY-I</b>				<b>DAY-II</b>				<b>DAY-III</b>			
	<b>Pre Test</b>		<b>Post Test</b>		<b>Pre Test</b>		<b>Post Test</b>		<b>Pre Test</b>		<b>Post Test</b>	
	<b>F</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>No Pain</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Mild</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	23.3	19	63.3
<b>Moderate</b>	8	26.6	17	56.6	27	90	15	50	23	76.6	11	36.6
<b>Severe</b>	22	73.3	13	43.3	3	10	15	50	-	-	-	-

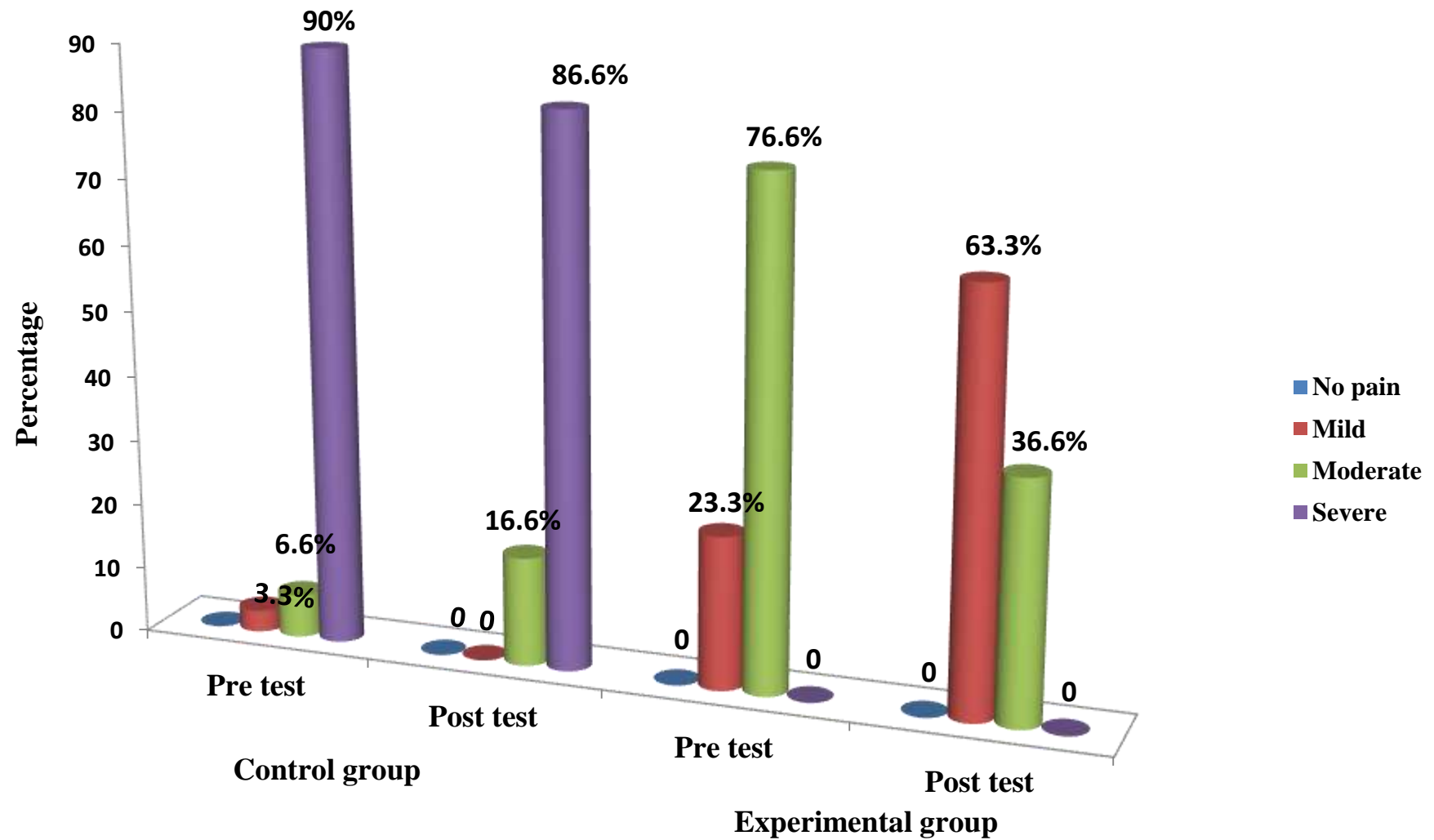
The table 3 shows that the pre test level of pain in experimental group on Day-I 22 subjects (73.3%) had severe level of pain and on Day- III , 23 subjects (76.6%) had moderate level of pain and the post test level of pain on Day- I,17 subjects (56.6%) had moderate level of pain,and on Day-III 19(63.3%) had mild level of pain in the experimental group.



**Figure - 5 : Distribution of subjects based on level of pain on day-I in the control and experimental group**



**Figure - 6 : Distribution of subjects based on level of pain on day-II in the control and experimental group**



**Figure-7 :Distribution of subjects based on level of pain on day-III in the control and experimental group**

**Data on the effectiveness of back massage on reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among Orthopaedic surgery in control group**

**Table-4: Frequency and percentage distribution of subjects based on the pre and post test level of the Quality of sleep in the control group.**

N=30

LEVEL OF QUALITY OF SLEEP	CONTROL GROUP		CONTROL GROUP	
	PRE TEST		POST TEST	
	F	%	F	%
<b>Low (0-10)</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Mild (11-20)</b>	-	-	3	10
<b>Moderate (21-30)</b>	2	6.6	6	20
<b>Severe (31-40)</b>	28	93.3	21	70

The table 4 shows that the pre test level of quality of sleep in control group, 2 of them (6.6%) had moderate level of quality of sleep disturbance and 28(93.3%) had severe level of quality sleep disturbance. Whereas in the post test, 3(10%) had mild level of quality of sleep disturbances and 6 (20%) had moderate level of quality of sleep disturbances and 21 (70) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances.

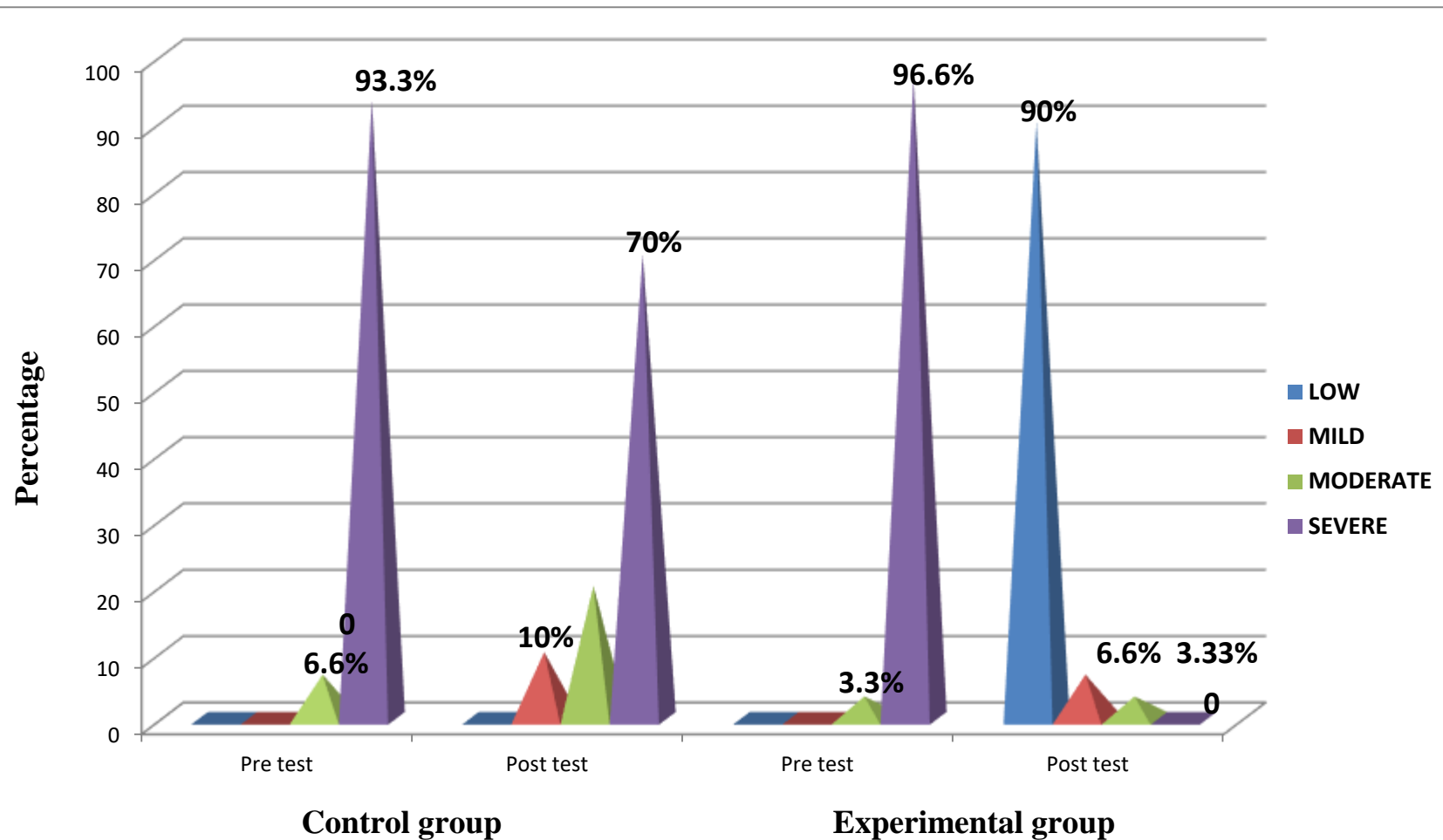
**Data on the effectiveness of back massage on reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among Orthopaedic surgery in experimental group**

**Table-5: Frequency and percentage distribution of subjects based on pre and post test level of Quality of sleep in the experimental group.**

N=30

LEVEL OF QUALITY OF SLEEP	EXPERIMENTAL GROUP		EXPERIMENTAL GROUP	
	PRE TEST		POST TEST	
	F	%	F	%
<b>Low (0-10)</b>	-	-	27	90
<b>Mild (11-20)</b>	-	-	2	6.6
<b>Moderate (21-30)</b>	1	3.3	1	3.3
<b>Severe (31-40)</b>	29	96.6	-	-

The table 5 shows that the pre test level of quality of Sleep in the experimental group, 29 subjects (96.6%) had severe sleep disturbances and in the post test, 27(90%) of them had low level of sleep of disturbances.



**Figure - 8: Distribution of subjects based on level of quality of sleep in the control and experimental group**

## SECTION - C

**Table: 6**

**Paired 't' test of pre and post test level of pain among patients  
undergone orthopedic surgery in control group.**

**N=30**

<b>LEVEL OF PAIN</b>	<b>Control pre test</b>		<b>Control post test</b>		<b>Mean difference</b>	<b>'t'-value</b>
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>		
<b>Day-I</b>	84.7	8.4	83.7	9.5	1	0.98
<b>Day-II</b>	84.7	8.4	83.7	9.5	1	0.98
<b>Day-III</b>	83.5	12.9	82.8	10.4	0.7	1.82

(\* -P<0.05 significant, \*\*\* -P<0.001 highly significant)

The table 6 shows that the calculated 't' values on day-I, II, III in the control group were 0.98, 0.98, 1.82 which are not significant. It is concluded that there was no significant differences between the pre and post test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.



**Table: 7**

**Paired 't' test of pre and post test level of pain among patients  
undergone orthopedic surgery in experimental group.**

**N=30**

<b>LEVEL OF PAIN</b>	<b>Experimental pre test</b>		<b>Experimental post test</b>		<b>Mean difference</b>	<b>'t'-value</b>
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>		
<b>Day-I</b>	80	12.3	71.6	13.8	8.4	3.5***
<b>Day-II</b>	62.3	8.3	42	17.4	20.3	4.4***
<b>Day-III</b>	51.3	14.8	37.3	16.9	14	4.5***

**(\*\*\* -P<0.001 highly significant)**

The table 7 shows that the calculated 't' value on day-I,II,III in the experimental group were 3.5, 4.4, 4.5 was statistically highly significant at  $p<0.001$  level which clearly shows that there was a significant decrease in the level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery after giving back massage. Hence research hypothesis  $H_1$  is accepted.

**Table: 8**

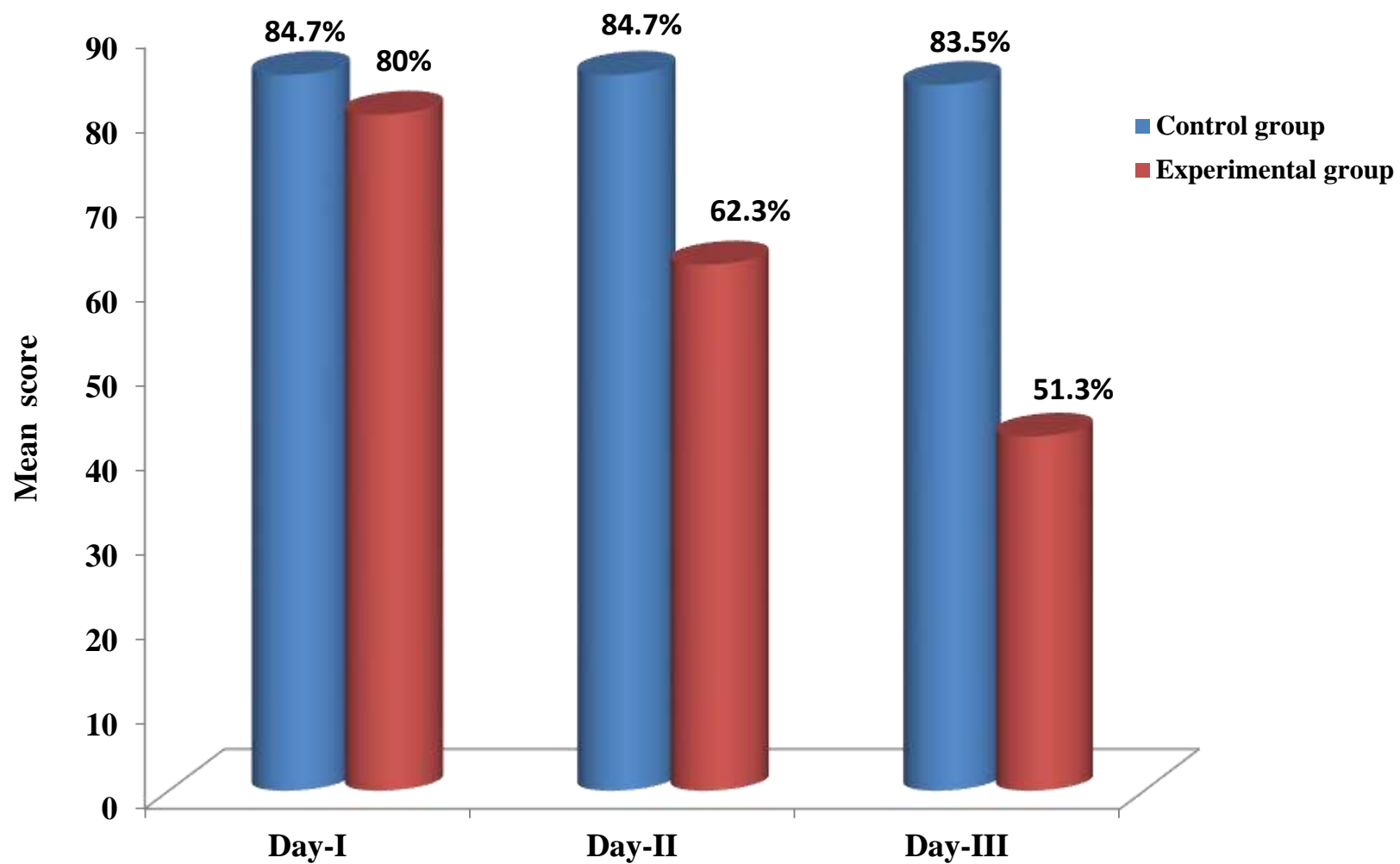
**Unpaired' test for compare the post test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery between the control and experimental group.**

**N= 30**

<b>LEVEL OF PAIN</b>	<b>Control post test</b>		<b>Experimental post test</b>		<b>Mean difference</b>	<b>'t'-value</b>
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>		
<b>Day-I</b>	83.7	9.5	71.6	13.8	12.1	4.1***
<b>Day-II</b>	83.7	9.5	42	17.4	41.7	6.6***
<b>Day-III</b>	82.8	10.4	37.3	16.9	45.5	13.4***

**(\*\*\* -P<0.001 highly significant)**

The table 8 shows that the obtained 't' values on day-I, day-II, day-III for level of pain between the control and experimental group is 4.1, 6.6, 13.4 which were highly significant at  $p<0.001$  level. These findings revealed that the subjects in experimental group had decreased level of pain after giving back massage compared to control group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_2$  is accepted.



**Figure - 9: Comparison of mean post test level of pain in the control and experimental group**

**Table: 9**

**Paired ‘t’ test of pre and post test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in control group.**

**N=30**

<b>LEVEL OF QUALITY OF SLEEP</b>	<b>pre test</b>		<b>Post test</b>		<b>Mean difference</b>	<b>‘t’-value</b>
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>		
<b>CONTROL GROUP</b>	34.8	2.4	31.5	6.6	3.3	5.0

(\* -P<0.05 significant, \*\*\* -P<0.001 highly significant)

The table 9 shows that the calculated “t” value is 5.0 was non-significant which clearly revealed that there was no differences between the pre and post test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control group.

**Table: 10**

**Paired ‘t’ test of pre and post test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in experimental group.**

**N=30**

<b>LEVEL OF QUALITY OF SLEEP</b>	<b>Experimental pre test</b>		<b>Experimental Post test</b>		<b>Mean difference</b>	<b>‘t’-value</b>
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>		
<b>EXPERIMENTAL GROUP</b>	35.1	1.79	6.38	4.4	28.7	2.81***

**(\*\*\* -P<0.001 highly significant)**

The table 10 shows that the calculated “t”value 2.81 was highly significant at  $p<0.001$  level. The pre test mean in case of control group was 34.8 whereas the post test mean was 35.1 and its mean difference was 2.81 which had greater improvement than other parameters. It clearly concluded that there was a significant improvement in the level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery after giving back massage in the experimental group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_3$  is accepted.

**Table: 11**

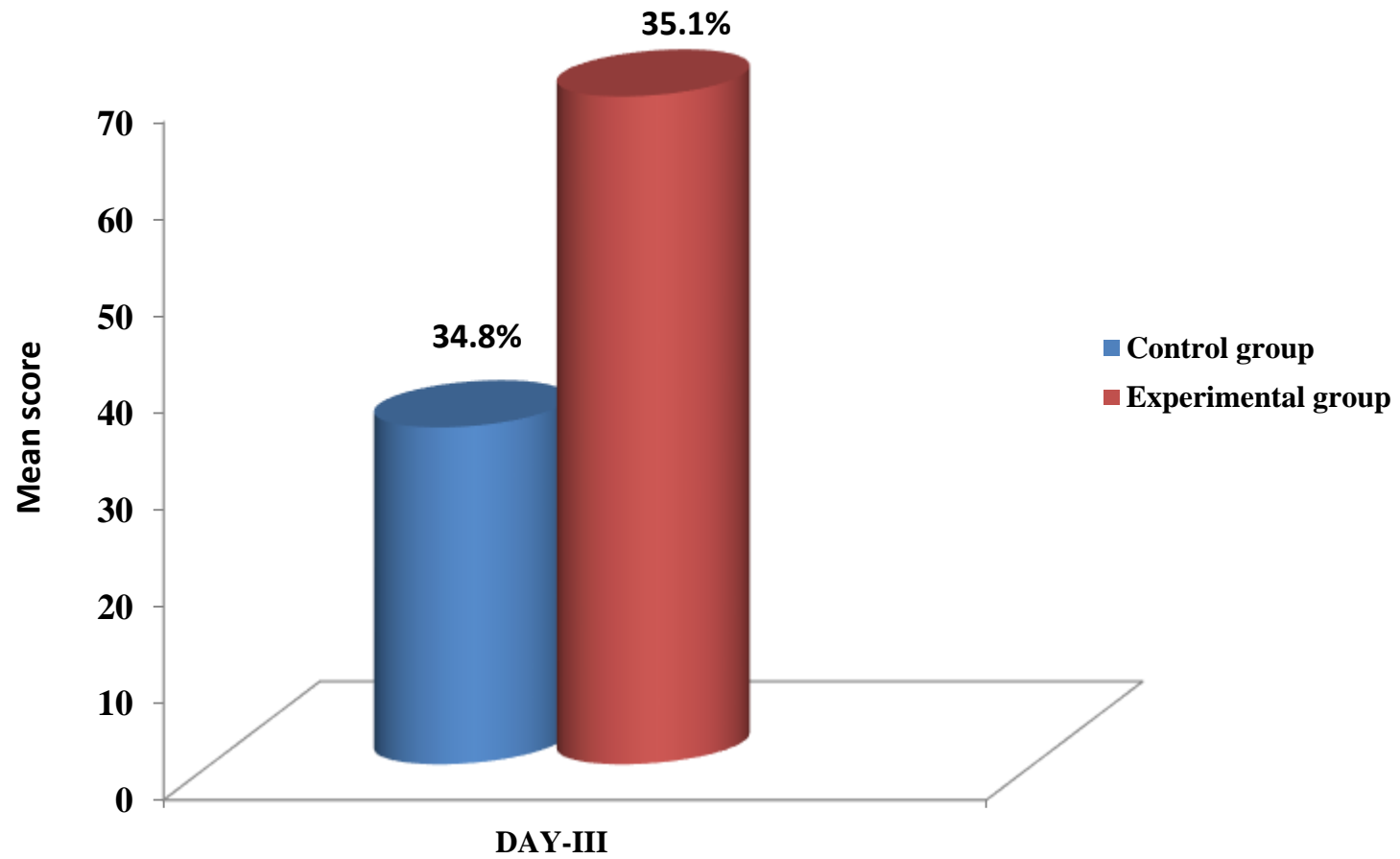
**Unpaired 't' test for post test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery between the experimental and control group**

**N= 30**

<b>LEVEL OF QUALITY OF SLEEP</b>	<b>Experimental Post test</b>		<b>Control Post test</b>		<b>Mean difference</b>	<b>'t'-value</b>
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>		
<b>EXPERIMENTAL&amp; CONTROL GROUPS</b>	6.38	4.4	31.5	6.6	25.12	17.41***

**(\*\*\* -P<0.001 highly significant)**

The table 11 shows that the obtained over all 't' value for level of quality of sleep between the experimental and control group was 17.41 which was highly significant at  $p<0.001$  level. The posttest mean of experimental group was 6.38 whereas in control group was 31.5 and their mean difference was 25.12 which had greater improvement than other parameters. It is concluded that the back massage was highly effective in improving quality of recovery. Hence research hypothesis  $H_4$  is accepted.



**Figure -10 : Comparison of mean post test level of quality of Sleep in the control and experimental group**

## SECTION – D

**Data on correlate the level of pain with the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in control and experimental group**

**Table-12: Correlation between level of pain and quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group**

<b>Group</b>	<b>“r”-value</b>
<b>Control</b>	<b>0.739</b>
Pre test- level of pain and quality of sleep	
Posttest- level of pain and quality of sleep	<b>0.536</b>
<b>Experimental</b>	<b>0.753</b>
Pre test- level of pain and quality of sleep	
Posttest- level of pain and quality of sleep	<b>0.689</b>

**(\*\*- P<0.01, highly significant)**

The table 12 shows that, there was a positive correlation ( $r = 0.689$ ) between posttest level of pain and quality of sleep in experimental group at  $P < 0.01$  level. It was inferred that there is a significant improvement in quality of sleep as the pain intensity reduced in experimental group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_5$  is accepted.



## SECTION – E

**Data on Association between pretest level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control group with selected demographic variables**

**Table -13: Frequency and percentage distribution of chi-square value on control group**

N= 30

Demographic variables	No pain		Mild		Moderate		Severe		X <sup>2</sup> -value
	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%	
<b>1.Age(in years):</b>									
a) 20-40	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	13.3	18.7*** df=3
b) 41-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	40	
c) 61-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	36.6	
d) Above 81	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	10	
<b>2.Gender:</b>									
a) Male	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	53.3	17*** df=1
b) Female	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	46.6	
<b>3.Educational status:</b>									
a) Illiterate	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	16.6	15.1*** df=3
b) Primary	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	36.6	
c) High school	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	30	
d) Higher secondary & above	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	16.6	
<b>4.Occupation</b>									
a) Home maker	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	16.6	6.4 df=4 NS
b) Private employee	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	13.3	
c) Government employee	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	23.3	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	20	
d) Self employed Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	26.6	

<b>5.History of previous orthopedic surgery</b>									
a) Yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	40	9.6 df=1
b) No	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	60	NS
<b>6.Types of analgesics used</b>									
a) Oral	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	36.6	8.06 df=1
b) Parenteral	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	63.3	NS
<b>7.Frequency of analgesics administration</b>									
a) Once a day	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	30	5.4 df=1
b) Twice a day	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	70	NS
<b>8.Types of orthopedic surgery</b>									
a) Upper extremity	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	43.3	11.2*** df=1
b) Lower extremity	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	56.6	
<b>9.Types of anesthesia</b>									
a) Spinal	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	83.3	41.9*** df=2
b) General	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	10	
c) Regional	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	

(NS-Not significant, \*P<0.05 – significant, \*\*P<0.01 & \*\*\*P<0.001- Highly significant)

The table 13 shows that there was no association between the level of pain and their demographic variable of occupation, history of previous orthopedic surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration. There was a significant association between the level of pain and the other demographic variables among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control group .Hence research hypothesis H<sub>6</sub> is partially accepted.

**Data on Association between pre test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group with selected demographic variables**

**Table -13: Frequency and percentage distribution of chi-square value on experimental group.**

**N = 30**

Demographic variables	No pain		Mild		Moderate		Severe		X <sup>2</sup> -value
	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%	
<b>1.Age(in years):</b>									
a) 20-40	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	4	13.3	10.22* df=3
b) 41-60	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	9	30	
c) 61-80	-	-	-	-	3	10	8	26.6	
d) Above 81	-	-	-	-	1	3.33	1	3.33	
<b>2.Gender:</b>									
a) Male	-	-	-	-	4	13.3	9	30	5.35* df=1
b) Female	-	-	-	-	4	13.3	13	43.3	
<b>3.Educational status:</b>									
a) Illiterate	-	-	-	-	1	3.33	8	26.6	3.0 df=3 NS
b) Primary	-	-	-	-	1	3.33	4	13.3	
c) High school	-	-	-	-	3	10	6	20	
d) Higher secondary & above	-	-	-	-	3	10	4	13.3	
<b>4.Occupation</b>									
a) Home maker	-	-	-	-	3	10	4	13.3	2.14 df=4 NS
b) Private employee	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	
c) Government employee	-	-	-	-	1	3.33	4	13.3	
d) Self employed	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	4	13.3	
e) Agriculture	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	8	26.6	

<b>5.History of previous orthopedic surgery</b>									
a) Yes									4.58*
b) No	-	-	-	-	6	20	7	23.3	df=1
	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	15	50	
<b>6.Types of analgesics used</b>									1.68
a) Oral	-	-	-	-	2	6.6	11	36.6	df=1
b) Parenteral	-	-	-	-	6	20	11	36.6	NS
<b>7.Frequency of analgesics administration</b>									0.85
a) Once a day	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	20	df=1
b) Twice a day	-	-	-	-	8	26.6	16	53.3	NS
<b>8.Types of orthopedic surgery</b>									0.21
a) Upperextremity	-	-	-	-	3	10	7	23.3	df=1
b) Lower extremity	-	-	-	-	5	16.6	15	50	NS
<b>9.Types of anesthesia</b>									0.62
a) Spinal	-	-	-	-	6	20	17	56.6	df=2
b) General	-	-	-	-	1	3.33	3	10	df=2
c) Regional	-	-	-	-	1	3.33	2	6.6	NS

(NS-Not significant, \*P<0.05 – significant, \*\*P<0.01 & \*\*\*P<0.001- Highly significant)

The table 14 shows the there was a significant association between the demographic variables such as age, gender, history of previous surgery, and their level of pain and other demographic variables were shown no association with their level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group. Hence research hypothesis H<sub>6</sub> partially accepted.

**Data on Association between pretest level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control group with selected demographic variables**

**Table -15: Frequency and percentage distribution of chi-square value on experimental group**

**N= 30**

Demographic variables	Low		Mild		moderate		severe		X <sup>2</sup> -value
	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%	
<b>1.Age(in years):</b>									
a) 20-40	-	-	4	13.3	-	-	-	-	8.62* df=3
b) 41-60	-	-	12	40	-	-	-	-	
c) 61-80	1	3.33	10	33.3	-	-	-	-	
d) Above 81	-	-	3	10	-	-	-	-	
<b>2.Gender:</b>									
a) Male	-	-	16	53.3	-	-	-	-	2.07 df=1
b) Female	1	3.33	13	43.3	-	-	-	-	NS
<b>3.Educational status:</b>									
a) Illiterate	-	-	5	16.6	-	-	-	-	7.5* df=3
b) Primary	-	-	11	36.6	-	-	-	-	
c) High school	1	3.33	8	26.6	-	-	-	-	
d) Higher secondary & above	-	-	5	16.6	-	-	-	-	
<b>4.Occupation</b>									
a) Home maker	1	3.33	4	13.3	-	-	-	-	11.65* df=4
b) Private employee	-	-	4	13.3	-	-	-	-	
c) Government employee	-	-	4	13.3	-	-	-	-	
d) Self employed	-	-	6	20	-	-	-	-	
e) Agriculture	-	-	11	36.6	-	-	-	-	

<b>5.History of previous orthopedic surgery</b>									2.12 df=1 NS
a) Yes	1	3.33	11	36.6	-	-	-	-	
b) No	-	-	18	60	-	-	-	-	
<b>6.Types of analgesics used</b>									2.0 df=1 NS
a) Oral	-	-	11	36.6	-	-	-	-	
b) Parenteral	1	3.33	18	60	-	-	-	-	
<b>7.Frequency of analgesics administration</b>									2.21 df=1 NS
a) Once a day	-	-	9	30	-	-	-	-	
b) Twice a day	1	3.33	20	66.6	-	-	-	-	
<b>8.Types of orthopedic surgery</b>									2.05 df=1 NS
a) Upper extremity	-	-	13	43.3	-	-	-	-	
b) Lower extremity	1	3.33	16	53.3	-	-	-	-	
<b>9.Types of anesthesia</b>									
a) Spinal	1	3.33	24	80	-	-	-	-	
b) General	-	-	3	10	-	-	-	-	8.9*
c) Regional	-	-	2	6.6	-	-	-	-	df=2

(NS-Not significant,\*P<0.05 – significant, \*\*P<0.01 & \*\*\*P<0.001- Highly significant)

The table 15 shows that there was no association between the level of quality of sleep and demographic variables such as gender, history of previous orthopedic surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration, types of orthopedic surgery. Other demographic variables had association with their level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopaedic surgery in the control group. Hence research hypothesis H<sub>7</sub> is partially accepted.

**Data on Association between pre test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group with selected demographic variables**

**Table: 16: Frequency and percentage distribution of chi-square value on experimental group**

**N = 30**

Demographic variables	Low		mild		moderate		Severe		X <sup>2</sup> -value
	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%	
<b>1.Age(in years):</b>									
a) 20-40	1	3.3	6	20	-	-	-	-	3.6 df=3 NS
b) 41-60	-	-	11	36.6	-	-	-	-	
c) 61-80	-	-	11	36.6	-	-	-	-	
d) Above 80	-	-	1	3.3	-	-	-	-	
<b>2.Gender:</b>									2.12
a) Male	-	-	13	43.3	-	-	-	-	df=1
b) Female	-	-	17	56.6	-	-	-	-	NS
<b>3.Educational status:</b>									
a) Illiterate	-	-	9	30	-	-	-	-	3.02 df=3 NS
b) Primary	-	-	5	16.6	-	-	-	-	
c) High school	-	-	9	30	-	-	-	-	
d) Higher secondary & above	-	-	7	23.3	-	-	-	-	
<b>4.Occupation</b>									
a) Home maker	-	-	7	23.3	-	-	-	-	11.9* df=4
b) Private employee	-	-	2	6.6	-	-	-	-	
c) Government employee	-	-	5	16.6	-	-	-	-	
d) Self employed	-	-	6	20	-	-	-	-	
e) Agriculture	-	-	10	33.3	-	-	-	-	

<b>5.History of previous orthopedic surgery</b>									2.12 df=1 NS
a) Yes	-	-	13	43.3	-	-	-	-	
b) No	-	-	17	56.6	-	-	-	-	
<b>6.Types of analgesics used</b>									2.12 df=1 NS
a) Oral	-	-	13	43.3	-	-	-	-	
b) Parenteral	-	-	17	56.6	-	-	-	-	
<b>7.Frequency of analgesics administration</b>									2.6 df=1 NS
a) Once a day	-	-	6	20	-	-	-	-	
b) Twice a day	-	-	24	80	-	-	-	-	
<b>8.Types of ortho surgery</b>									2.59 df=1 NS
a) Upper extremity	-	-	10	33.3	-	-	-	-	
b) Lower extremity	-	-	20	66.6	-	-	-	-	
<b>9.Types of anesthesia</b>									
a) Spinal	-	-	23	76.6	-	-	-	-	
b) General	-	-	4	13.3	-	-	-	-	8.35*
c) Regional	-	-	3	10	-	-	-	-	df=2

(NS-Not significant, \*P<0.05 – significant, \*\*P<0.01 & \*\*\*P<0.001- Highly significant)

The table 16 shows that there was an association between the demographic variables such as occupation, types of anesthesia and other demographic variables had no association with their level of quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery in the experimental group. Hence research hypothesis H<sub>7</sub> is partially accepted.



# **CHAPTER- V**

## **DISCUSSION**

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### DISCUSSION

This study was conducted to assess the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in selected hospitals at Dindigul district.

A convenience sampling technique was used to collect data from the study participants. 60 samples were taken, 30 in experimental and 30 in control group. Pretest and post test was conducted. The Data were collected for a period of six weeks in Dindigul government hospital and JCB hospitals, at Dindigul district.

The discussion was based on the objectives specified in this study.

**The first objective was to assess the pre and post test level of pain and quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group.**

Findings of the pretest level of pain in control group on day I and Day-II, 27 subjects (90%) had severe level of pain and 3 subjects (10%) had moderate level of pain. And the post test level of pain in control group on day I and day II, 26 subjects (86.6%) had severe level of pain and 4 subjects (13.3%) had moderate level of pain. The pre test level of pain on Day-III, 1 subject (3.3%) had mild level of pain, and 2 subjects (6.6%) had moderate level of pain and 25 subjects (83.3%) had severe level of pain. The post test level of pain on III day, 25 subjects (83.3%), had severe level of pain and 5 subjects (16.6%) had moderate level of pain .

Where in experimental group the pre test level of pain on first post operative day 22 subjects (73.3%) had severe level of pain and on third post operative day, 23 subjects (76.6%) had moderate level of pain and the post test level of pain on first post operative day 17 subjects (56.6%) had moderate level of pain, on third post operative day 19(63.3%) had mild level of pain in the experimental group.

Findings shown that the pre test level of quality of sleep in control group, 28 of them (93.3%) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances and in the post test, 21of them (70%) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances.

The pre test level of quality of sleep in experimental group, 29 of them (96.6%) had severe sleep disturbances and in the post test, 27of them (90%) had low level of quality of sleep disturbances. These findings concluded that the back massage is highly effective in improving quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery.

The above findings are consistent with the findings of EstherMoke and Chin Pang Woo (2004) conducted a study to assess the effects of slow back massage on shoulder pain and anxiety among patients undergone plate removal surgery. 102 patients were selected randomly and assigned to experimental and control group. The intervention consisted of 10 minutes back massage for 7 consecutive evenings among experimental group. Results showed that massage intervention significantly reduced the patient's level of pain perception and anxiety and improved their quality of sleep. It was an effective nursing intervention for reducing shoulder pain and anxiety in patients with plate removal.

The table 10 shows that the calculated “t” value 2.81 was highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level. The pre test mean in case of control group was 34.8 whereas the post test mean was 35.1 and its mean difference was 2.81 which had greater improvement than other parameters. It clearly concluded that there was a significant improvement in the level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery after giving back massage in the experimental group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_3$  is accepted.

**The second objective was to evaluate the effectiveness of back massage on the level of pain and quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in experimental group.**

The calculated ‘t’ value on day-I, II, III in the experimental group were 3.5, 4.4, 4.5 was statistically highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level which clearly shows that there was a significant reduction in the level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery after giving back massage. The mean post test level of pain will be significantly lower than the mean pre test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group. Hence  $H_1$  is accepted.

The obtained ‘t’ value on day-I, day-II, day-III for level of pain between the control and experimental group is 4.1, 6.6, 13.4 which were highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level. These findings revealed that the subjects in experimental group had decreased level of pain after giving back massage compared to control group. The mean post test level of pain in experimental group will be significantly lower than the mean post test level of pain in control group among patients undergone orthopedic surgery. Hence research hypothesis  $H_2$  is accepted.

The calculated 't' value 2.81 for quality of sleep in experimental group was highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level which clearly shows that there was a significant improvement in the level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery after giving back massage. The mean post test level of quality of sleep will be significantly higher than the mean pre test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group. Hence  $H_3$  is accepted.

Findings of obtained 't' value for level of quality of sleep between the control group and experimental is 17.41 which was significant at  $p < 0.001$  level. It shown that the subjects in experimental group had improved quality of sleep after giving back massage compared to control group. The mean post test level of quality of sleep in experimental group will be significantly higher than the mean post test level of quality of sleep in control group among patients undergone orthopedic surgery. Hence research hypothesis  $H_4$  is accepted.

The above findings are consistent with the findings of **Eghbali M. Lellahgani H et al., (2010)** conducted a study to evaluate the effectiveness of back massage on pain severity in orthopedic surgical patients. 60 arthroscopic knee surgical patients were selected and they were randomly divided into experimental and control group. In experimental group, patients were massaged by researcher along with bed side routine treatments for 5 weeks. Pain severity was evaluated before and after the massage therapy by using visual analog scale. Data analysis revealed a meaningful difference between mean score of pain severity before and after the massage in intervention group. The result showed that back massage is one of the effective treatments for reducing pain in orthopedic surgical patients.

The above findings are consistent with the findings of **Mary Walton et al., (2009)** conducted a study to find out the immediate effects of effleurage back massage on physiological and psychological relaxation of orthopedic surgical patients. 60 adult clients were selected by purposive sampling technique. They were divided into two groups of experimental and control. Data was obtained by using visual analog scale, Anxiety scale and Vital signs inventory scale and patients were turned to back massage who were in experimental group. Physiological and psychological parameters were assessed after 5<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> minutes of back massage. Data analysis revealed that comparison of physiological and psychological parameters before and after back massage. T value was 2.58 at 0.05 levels. Finally they concluded that massage was effective in all the physiological and psychological parameters and nurses could implement this intervention along with routine treatment.

**The third objective was to correlate the level of pain with quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group**

Findings Shown that, there was a positive correlation ( $r=0.689$ ) between posttest level of pain and quality of sleep in experimental group at  $P<0.01$  level. It was inferred that there is a significant improvement in quality of sleep as the pain intensity was reducing experimental group. There will be a significant correlation between level of pain and quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_5$  is accepted.

The above findings are consistent with the findings of **Jing Wang et al., (2015)** conducted a study on correlations between Health-Related Quality of sleep and Pain and Anxiety in Orthodontic Patients in the Initial Stage of Treatment. 252 eligible

participants were selected and data was obtained by validated Chinese versions of questionnaires, including the State-Trait Anxiety Inventory (S-AI), the visual analogue scale (VAS), and the Short-Form 36-Item Health Survey (SF-36) at baseline and on days 1, 2, 3, 7, 14, and 30 after initial arch wire placement (SF-36 only at baseline and day 30). Significant changes were observed in physical function ( $P < 0.01$ ), body pain ( $P = 0.01$ ), and general health ( $P < 0.01$ ) domains. Spearman correlation coefficients for SF-36 with S-AI were  $-0.131 \sim -0.515$  ( $P < 0.05$ ); SF-36 with VAS were  $-0.141 \sim -0.273$  ( $P < 0.05$ ), indicating significant but moderate negative correlations between quality of recovery and pain/anxiety.

**The fourth objective was to find out the association between level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their selected demographic variables**

There was no association between the pre test level of pain and their demographic variable of occupation, history of previous orthopedic surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration. There was a significant association between the demographic variables such as age, gender, education status, types of orthopedic surgery and types of anesthesia and their level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_6$  is partially accepted.

There was a significant association between the demographic variables such as age, gender, history of previous orthopedic surgery and their level of pain and other demographic variables were shown any association with their level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_6$  is partially accepted

The above findings are consistent with the findings of **Candace H Feldman et al., (2014)** conducted a study on association between socioeconomic status and pain among total knee arthroplasty clients. 316 patients were selected and the collected data shows that the mean age was 65.9 (SD 8.7), 59% were female, and 88% were Caucasian; 17% achieved less than college education and 62% were college graduates. The median area socioeconomic status index score was 59 (U.S. median 51). Analysis demonstrated statistically significant associations between higher individual- and area-level socioeconomic status and better function and less pain. They were concluded in this cohort, Patients with higher socioeconomic status (SES) are shown to have better total knee arthroplasty (TKA) outcomes compared to those with lower socioeconomic status.

**The fifth objective was to find out the association between level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their selected demographic variables**

There was no association between the level of quality of sleep and demographic variables such as gender, history of previous orthopedic surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration, types of orthopedic surgery. Other demographic variables had shown association with their level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopaedic surgery in the control group.

Whereas in the experimental group, there was an association between the demographic variables namely occupation, types of anesthesia and their level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopaedic surgery. Hence research hypothesis H<sub>7</sub> is partially accepted in both control and experimental group.



The above findings consistent with the findings of **Maren F Lindberg MSc, RN et al., (2013)** conducted a cross sectional survey on Pain characteristics and self-rated health after elective orthopaedic surgery. 123 elective orthopaedic inpatients recruited consecutively and Patients were divided into three diagnostic groups: shoulder surgery, hip or knee replacement and other surgery. Patients have completed items about pain intensity. The results showed that Mean age was 60 years (SD 17.2) and 50% were females. Average pain intensity was 4.2 (SD 2.2) on a 0–10 numeric rating scale and 60% reported moderate/severe pain during the entire hospital stay. Shoulder surgery patients reported significantly higher pain intensity compared to other surgical groups. Pain interfered mostly with daily activity and sleep. Quality of sleep was significantly associated with occupation and administration of analgesics. They concluded that High pain intensity is related to poorer self-rated health.

**CHAPTER- VI**  
**SUMMARY AND**  
**RECOMMENDATIONS**

## **CHAPTER-VI**

### **SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This chapter gives brief account of the present study along with the conclusion drawn from the findings, recommendation, implication, conclusion, suggestions for further studies and nursing implications.

#### **SUMMARY OF THE STUDY**

The focus of the present study was to assess the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post operative pain and improving quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul district.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY**

1. To assess the pre and post test level of pain and quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group
2. To evaluate the effectiveness of back massage on the level of pain and the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in experimental group.
3. To correlate the level of pain with quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group
4. To find out the association between level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their selected demographic variables in the control and experimental group.

5. To find out the association between level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their selected demographic variables in the control and experimental group.

## **HYPOTHESIS**

**H<sub>1</sub>**-The mean post test level of pain will be significantly lower than the pre test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group

**H<sub>2</sub>**-The mean post test level of pain in experimental group will be significantly lower than the mean post test level of pain in control group among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

**H<sub>3</sub>**- The mean post test level of the quality of sleep will be significantly higher than the pre test level of the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group

**H<sub>4</sub>**-The mean post test level of the quality of sleep in experimental group will be significantly higher than the mean post test level of the quality of sleep in control group among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

**H<sub>5</sub>**- There will be a significant correlation between level of pain and the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control and experimental group.

**H<sub>6</sub>**-There will be a significant association between the pre test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their demographic variables in the control and experimental group.

**H7-**There will be a significant association between the level of the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery and their demographic variables in the control and experimental group.

The design of the study was quasi experimental, non randomized control group pre test –post test design. The conceptual frame work was based on gate control theory of pain. The gate control theory was first postulated by Ronald Melzack and Patrick David Wall in 1965. This theory suggests that for pain to pass through the gate there must be unopposed passage for nociceptive information arriving at the synapses in the substantia gelatinosa. The pain impulses will be carried out by the small diameters and it will open the pain gate and the person feels pain. Many non-pharmacological procedures such as back massage (application of pressure), TENS stimulate the nerve endings connected with large diameter fibers which can produce a reduction of pain by closing the pain gate.

The sample size of the study was 60 patients who have undergone orthopedic surgery and were in 1-3<sup>rd</sup> post operative days in selected hospitals at Dindigul district. The experimental and control group consisted of 30 subjects in each. Convenience sampling technique was adopted for the selection of sample. Demographic data of the subjects were collected.

The investigator collected pre test data using visual analog scale and Modified Ransburg sleep assessment scale for both group. Experimental group received intervention of back massage for 15-20 minutes twice a day with daily routine care for 1-3 post operative days before giving analgesics. Control group received routine care without intervention. Post test was conducted by the investigator for both groups. For

experimental group, post test was conducted 1 hour after administration of back massage. The data were analyzed using both descriptive and inferential statistics.

## **MAJOR FINDING OF THE STUDY**

With regard to age, 11 (36.6%) in experimental group and 12(40%) in control group belongs to the age group of 40 to 60 years and 2 (6.6%) in experimental group and 3(10%) in control group belonged to the age group of above 80 years.

Considering the sex, 17 (56.6%) subjects in the experimental group and 14 (46.6%) in the control group were females and the remaining were males.

In relation to education, 9(30%) of them had high school education and 5(16.6%) of them had primary education in experimental group and 9(30%) of them had high school education and 11(36.6%) of them had primary education in control group.

With regard to the occupation, 10(33.3%) were agriculture workers and 2(6.6%) were private employees in experimental group and 8(26.6%) were agriculture workers and 4(13.3%) were private employees in the control group.

Regarding the history of previous orthopedic surgery, 17(56.6%) in experimental group and 18(60%) in control group had no history of previous orthopedic surgery.

Considering the types of analgesics used, 17(56.6%) subjects in experimental group and 19(63.3%) in control group had parenteral type of analgesics used.

In relation to frequency of analgesics administration, 24(80%) of them in the experimental group and 21(70%) of them in the control group got analgesics twice a day.

With respect to types of orthopedic surgery, 20(66.6%) of subjects in experimental group and 17(56.6%) in the control group had lower extremity orthopedic surgery.

With regard to the types of anesthesia, 23(76.6%) subjects in the experimental group and 25(83.3%) of subjects in the control group undergone spinal anesthesia and 3(10%) subjects in the experimental group and 2(6.6%) subjects in the control group undergone regional anesthesia.

Findings of the pretest level of pain in control group on day I and Day-II, 27 subjects (90%) had severe level of pain and 3 subjects(10%) had moderate level of pain. And the post test level of pain in control group on day 1 and day 11, 26 subjects (86.6%) had severe level of pain and 4 subjects (13.3%) had moderate level of pain. The pre test level of pain on Day-III, 1 subject (3.3%) had mild level of pain, and 2 subjects (6.6%) had moderate level of pain and 27 subjects (90%) had severe level of pain. The post test level of pain on day- III , 5 subjects(16.6%) had moderate level of pain , 25 subjects (83.3%), had severe level of pain.

Whereas in experimental group, the pre test level of pain on Day- I 22 subjects (73.3%) had severe level of pain and on Day- III , 23 subjects (76.6%) had moderate level of pain and the post test level of pain on Day- I, 17 subjects (56.6%) had moderate level of pain, and on Day-III 19(63.3%) had mild level of pain in the experimental group.

Findings shown that the pre test level of quality of sleep in control group, 28 of them (93.3%) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances and in the post test, 21 of them (70%) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances.

The pre test level of the quality of sleep in experimental group, 29 of them (96.6%) had severe level of quality of sleep disturbances and in the post test, 27 of them (90%) had low level of quality of sleep disturbances.

The calculated 't' values on day-I, II, III in the control group were 0.98, 0.98, 1.82 which are not significant. It is concluded that there was no significant differences between the pre and post test level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

The calculated 't' value on day-I, II, III in the experimental group were 3.5, 4.4, 4.5 was statistically highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level which clearly shows that there was a significant reduction in the level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery after giving back massage. Hence  $H_1$  is accepted.

The obtained "t" values on day-I, day-II, day-III for level of pain between the control and experimental group is 4.1, 6.6, 13.4 which were highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level. These findings revealed that the subjects in experimental group had decreased level of pain after giving back massage compared to control group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_2$  is accepted.

The calculated 't' value of .5.0 was non-significant which clearly shows that there was no differences between the pre and post test level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control group.



Whereas the calculated 't' value 2.81 for quality of sleep in experimental group was highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level which clearly shows that there was a significant improvement in the level of quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery after giving back massage. Hence  $H_3$  is accepted.

The obtained 't' value for level of quality of sleep between the experimental and control group was 17.41 which was highly significant at  $p < 0.001$  level and based on mean difference. It is concluded that the back massage was highly effective in improving quality of sleep. Hence  $H_4$  is accepted.

There was a positive correlation ( $r = 0.689$ ) between posttest level of pain and quality of sleep in experimental group at  $P < 0.01$  level. It is inferred that there was a significant improvement in quality of sleep as the pain intensity was reduced in experimental group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_5$  is accepted.

There was no association between the pre test level of pain and their demographic variable of occupation, history of previous orthopedic surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration. There was a significant association between the demographic variables such as age, gender, education status, types of orthopedic surgery and types of anesthesia and their level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the control group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_6$  is partially accepted.

There was a significant association between the demographic variables such as age, gender, history of previous orthopedic surgery and their level of pain. No other demographic variables were shown any association with their level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_6$  is partially accepted.

There was a significant association between the demographic variables such as age, gender, history of previous orthopedic surgery, and their level of pain. No other demographic variables were shown any association with their level of pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery in the experimental group. Hence  $H_6$  is partially accepted.

There was no association between the level of quality of sleep and demographic variables such as gender, history of previous orthopedic surgery, types of analgesics used, frequency of analgesics administration, types of orthopedic surgery. Other demographic variables had shown association with their level of quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery in the control group. Hence research hypothesis  $H_7$  is partially accepted in both control

Whereas in the experimental group, there was an association between the demographic variables namely occupation, types of anesthesia and their level of quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery. Hence research hypothesis  $H_7$  is partially accepted in both control and experimental group.

## **CONCLUSION**

The main conclusion of this present study was the back massage is effectively reducing the post operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery. This study clearly stated that back massage plays a vital role in reducing the level of post operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

## **IMPLICATIONS**

The findings of the study have several implications in following field. It can be discussed in four areas namely nursing practice, Nursing administration, Nursing education and Nursing research.

### **NURSING PRACTICE**

- Complimentary therapies can provide effective economical, non-invasive, non-pharmacological complements to medical care.
- Back massage is one of touch therapy, which in this study has proved effective in reducing post operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.
- Nurses can adopt simple interventions like back massage while providing care for the post operative orthopedic patients.
- Back massage used in this study can be applied in the practice set up; there by increasing the nursing practice based on evidence.

### **NURSING ADMINISTRATION**

- Nurse administrators can arrange seminars and workshops to educate learners and staff nurses regarding pain management of patients undergone orthopedic surgery.
- The findings of this study will help nurse administrator to plan and organize various in service programmes like in-service education and workshop on back massage and its effects on post operative orthopedic patients.
- It helps to provide critical thinking regarding pain management in orthopedic surgical unit.

- The nurse administrator can take part in developing protocols related to back massage.

## **NURSING EDUCATION**

- Several implications can be drawn from the present study for nursing education
- The curriculum incorporating the recent trends and demands of the changing society needed for the progress of nursing education.
- Practical hours for complementary and alternative medicine including yoga, massage and reflexology can be included in the nursing curriculum which will help the students to improve their skills.

## **NURSING RESEARCH**

- This study motivates nursing personnel to do further studies related to this field.
- Research can be conducted to find out the effectiveness of various non-pharmacological methods in pain management of patients who have undergone orthopedic surgery.

## **LIMITATIONS**

- Intervention was limited to 15 – 20 minutes
- Study was conducted only on patients who have undergone upper and lower extremity orthopedic surgery
- Relatively small sample size
- Randomization of samples could not be done

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- The study can be replicated on a larger samples to generalize the results
- The comparative study can be conducted with more than one intervention
- Training programmers for nurses can be given on complimentary therapies
- A study can be conducted to evaluate the knowledge and attitude of nurses regarding back massage in reducing pain among patients undergone orthopedic surgery.

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# APPENDICES

## APPENDIX-I

### Letter -1: Letter Seeking Permission to conduct the study



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### PERMISSION LETTER

From

The Principal,  
Sakthi College of Nursing,  
Oddanchatram, Dindigul (Dt)

To

DR. D. Joseph Christopher Babu.  
1, Veppanthoppu Street,  
Palani Road,  
Dindigul - 624001

Respected Sir / Madam,

Sub.: Request for permission to conduct research study - reg.

MRS. VIJAYA .M is a bonafide M.Sc., Nursing student studying in our college. As a partial fulfillment of The Tamilnadu Dr. MGR Medical University requirement for the award of the M.Sc., Nursing Degree, she is undertaking ("A QUASI EXPERIMENTAL STUDY TO ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF BACK MASSAGE IN REDUCING THE LEVEL OF POST OPERATIVE PAIN AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF SLEEP AMONG PATIENTS UNDERGONE ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY IN SELECTED HOSPITAL AT DINDIGUL DISTRICT"), she has identified your centre as the best place to conduct the study.

Further details of the proposed project will be furnished by the student personally. She will not hinder your routine in any way and she will abide to the rules and regulations of the institution. All the information collected from institution will be kept confidential.

I kindly request you to grant her permission to conduct the study at your esteemed institution.

Thanking you,

yours sincerely,

Date : 2-3-2017

Place : Dindigul

DR. JOSEPH CHRISTOPHER BABU, M.B.B.S.  
Consultant ortho Surgeon  
JCB HOSPITALS  
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Principal  
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To

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## APPENDIX-II

### LETTER SEEKING EXPERT OPINION AND CONTENT VALIDITY

From

Mrs.Vijaya.M.  
M.Sc (Nursing) II Year,  
Sakthi college of Nursing,  
Oddanchatram, Dindigul.

To

Respected Madam/Sir,

Sub: Requisition for expert opinion and content validity regarding.

I am a M.Sc. (Nursing) II year student of Sakthi College of Nursing, Oddanchatram, Dindigul, under Dr. M.G.R. Medical university. As a partial fulfillment of my M.Sc. (Nursing) degree program, I am conducting a research study on **“A quasi experimental study to assess the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul district”**

I am sending the tool for content validity and for your expert & valuable opinion. I will be very thankful if you return it at the earliest. Here with I have enclosed the necessary documents.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Enclosure:

1. Statement of the problem & objectives of the study.
2. Tool for data collection.
3. Brief note on the research methodology and intervention tool.
4. Certificate of content validity.

### **APPENDIX-III**

#### **CERTIFICATE OF CONTENT VALIDITY**

*TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN*

This is to certify that the tool prepared by Mrs.Vijaya.M. MSc (N) II Year student of Sakthi College of Nursing for the conduction of the research study on **“A quasi experimental study to assess the effectiveness of back massage in reducing post operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul district”** is valid. She can proceed in conducting data collection.

Signature

Place:

Date:



## **APPENDIX-IV**

### **LIST OF EXPERTS**

- 1. Dr. Joseph Christopher Babu M.S.,(Ortho),D.(Ortho)**  
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Uthrapradesh.
- 7. Asst. prof. Lilly M.Sc(N),**  
Department of medical surgical nursing,  
Sacred Heart College of nursing,  
Vellode.
- 8. Mr. Mani,**  
Statistician,  
Madurai.

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Signature of validator

Name of the validator : MARIA ANANDHI LOOSIE. A

Designation : ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Date : 6.3.17

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Signature of validator

Name of the validator : A.SHOBANA  
Designation : ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR  
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Signature of validator

Name of the validator : Mrs. J. Jaya Margaret Lily.  
Designation : Associate Professor.  
Date : 27-2-17.

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Signature of validator

Name of the validator : Mrs. Lancy J-I. M.sc(N)

Designation : Associate professor.

Date : 6.3.17

## **APPENDIX-V**

### **RESEARCH CONSENT FORM**

Dear participants,

I am VIJAYA.M. M.Sc. Nursing Student of Sakthi College of Nursing, Oddanchatram. As a part of my study, a research on “Effectiveness of Back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of sleep among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul district” is to be conducted. The study will be helpful in reducing post-operative pain level.

I hereby seek your consent and co-operation to participate in the study. Please be frank and honest in your responses. The information collected will be kept confidential and anonymity will be maintained.

Thanking You,

Signature of the researcher

I.....hereby consent to participate and undergo the study

Place:

Date:

Signature of the participant

## கருவிஎண் - 5

### ஆய்வில் பங்குகொள்ளஒப்புதல் படிவம்

அன்பார்ந்தபங்களிப்போர்களே,

திருமதி.விஜயாஆகியநான் சக்திசெவிலியர் கல்லூரியில் செவிலியர் பயிற்சியில் முதுகலைபட்டம் பெறுவதற்குபயிற்சியின் ஒருபகுதியாக முதுகுப்புறபகுதியை தேய்ப்பதனால் அறுவை சிகிச்சைக்குப் பின் வரும் வலியைக் குறைத்து, தூக்கத்தின் தரத்தினை உயர்த்தலாம் என்பதனை பற்றி அறிவதற்காக ஆய்வுசெய்கிறேன்.

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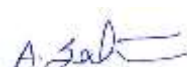
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#### **TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN**

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### SAKTHI COLLEGE OF NURSING

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<p><b><u>Committee members</u></b></p> <p><b>Chairman</b> 1.Dr.Vembanan .M.B.B.S, M.S., President, Sakthi educational institution.</p> <p><b>Members</b></p> <p>1.Mrs.Janahi Devi, M.Sc (N) Principal, Sakthi College of Nursing</p> <p>2.Dr.Joseph Christopher Babu M.S.,(Ortho) D.(Ortho) JCB hospital</p> <p>3. Mrs.D.Thulasimani. M.Sc(N) in Medical Surgical Nursing, Associate Professor, Sakthi College of Nursing.</p> <p>4. Mr.V.Palanichamy, B.A.B.L., Advocate</p> <p>5.Mr.Diaz Prabhakaran, M.A., Sociology</p> <p>6.Ms.Mariyammal, Ph.D., Psychology</p>	<p>This is to certify that Mrs.Vijaya.M., M.Sc. Nursing student , Medical surgical Nursing, submitted a protocol on study as</p> <p>Effectiveness of back massage in reducing post-operative pain and improving the quality of Sleep among patients undergone orthopedic surgery at selected hospitals in Dindigul district</p> <p>The above protocol was received by ethical committee approved and mentioned that the study is feasible to carry out under the guidance of an eligible guide.</p> <p><b>Signature of the Chairman</b></p>
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# APPENDIX- IX

## SECTION – I: DEMOGRAPHIC VARIABLES

### Introduction to participants:

### Dear participants,

This section consists of personal information and you are requested to answer the questions correctly. The information collected from you will be kept confidential.

Sample No

#### 1. Age (in years)

- a) 20-40 ( )
- b) 41-60 ( )
- c) 61-80 ( )
- d) Above 80 ( )

#### 2. Gender

- a) Male ( )
- b) Female ( )

#### 3. Educational status

- a) Illiterate ( )
- b) Primary school ( )
- c) High school ( )
- d) Higher secondary & above ( )

#### 4. Occupation

- a) Home maker ( )
- b) Private employee ( )
- c) Government employee ( )
- d) Self-employed ( )
- e) Agriculture ( )

**5. History of previous surgery**

- a) Yes ( )
- b) No ( )

**6. Types of analgesics used**

- a) Oral ( )
- b) Parenteral ( )

**7. Frequency of analgesics administration**

- a) Once a day ( )
- b) Twice a day ( )

**8. Types of ortho surgery**

- a) Upper extremity ( )
- b) Lower extremity ( )

**9. Types of anesthesia**

- a) Spinal ( )
- b) General ( )
- c) Regional ( )

கருவிஎண் - 9

பிரிவு-I:தனிநபர் விபரம்

இந்தபகுதியில் உங்களைப்பற்றியசொந்தவிபரங்கள்

கொடுக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது

இதற்குதகுதியானவிடையளிக்குமாறுகேட்டுக்கொள்கிறேன்.

இந்தவிபரங்கள் ரகசியமாகவைத்துக்கொள்ளப்படும்

பங்கேற்பவர் எண்[ ]

1. வயது

அ) 20-40 வயது [ ]

ஆ) 41-60 வயது [ ]

இ) 61-80 வயது [ ]

ஈ) 80 வயதுக்கும் மேல் [ ]

2. பாலினம்

அ) ஆண் [ ]

ஆ) பெண் [ ]

3. கல்வித்தகுதி

அ) படிக்காதவர் [ ]

ஆ) ஆரம்பக்கல்வி [ ]

இ) உயர்நிலைக் கல்வி [ ]

ஈ) மேல்நிலைக் கல்விமற்றும் அதற்கும் மேல் [ ]

4. பணிநிலவரம்

அ) குடும்பத் தலைவன்/தலைவி [ ]

ஆ) தனியார்பணி [ ]

இ) அரசுப் பணி [ ]

ஈ) சுய தொழில் [ ]

உ) விவசாயம் [ ]

5. இதற்குமுன்பாகஎலும்புசம்பந்தமான அறுவைசிகிச்சை செய்து இருக்கிறீர்களா?
- அ) ஆம் [ ]
- ஆ) இல்லை [ ]
6. எந்தவகையானவலிநிவாரணியைபயன்படுத்துகிறீர்கள்?
- அ) வாய் வழியாக [ ]
- ஆ) தசை, இரத்தநாளம் வழியாக [ ]
7. வலிநிவாரணியைஎத்தனைமுறைபயன்படுத்துகிறீர்கள்?
- அ) ஒருநாளைக்குஒருமுறை [ ]
- ஆ) ஒருநாளைக்கு இரண்டுமுறை [ ]
8. எலும்புசம்பந்தமான அறுவைசிகிச்சையின் வகைகள்
- அ) மேற்புறஅவயங்கள் [ ]
- ஆ) கீழ்ப்புறஅவயங்கள் [ ]
9. மயக்கமருந்தின் வகைகள்
- அ) முதுகுத்தண்டுமயக்கமருந்து [ ]
- ஆ) பொதுமயக்கமருந்து [ ]
- இ) அறுவைசிகிச்சை இடத்தில் மட்டும் கொடுக்கும் மயக்கமருந்து [ ]

## SECTION-II

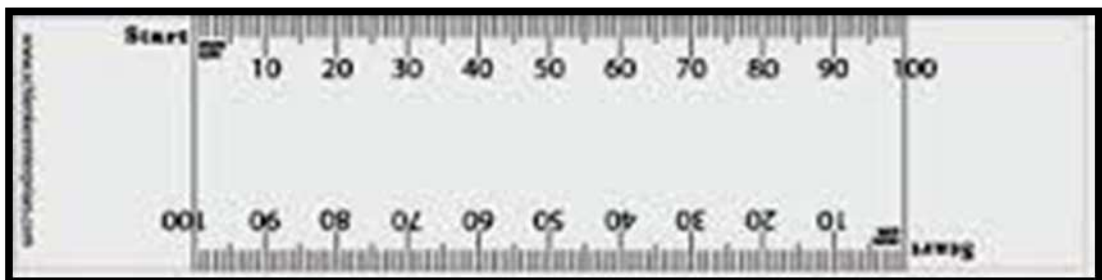
### Visual Analog Pain Scale

#### Instruction to the participants

The visual analog pain scale shown to the participants by the investigator to mark the intensity of post operative pain among patients undergone Orthopaedic surgery.

#### Description of the tool

The visual analog scale (VAS) is one of the most commonly used measures of pain intensity and is usually a horizontal line, 100 mm in length, anchored by word descriptors at each end like no pain to severe pain.



#### SCORING PROCEDURE:

Scoring was given according to the level of pain

0-4mm	-	No pain
5-44mm	-	Mild pain
45-74mm	-	Moderate pain
75-100mm	-	Severe pain

## SECTION-III

### MODIFIED REGENSBURG SLEEP ASSESSMENT SCALE

(For patients with 1<sup>st</sup> week of post operative period)

Please rate the following questions

Sl. No	Questions	Scoring				
1	How many minutes do you need fall sleep after surgery	1-20 Mts	21-40 Mts	41-60 Mts	61-90 Mts	91- Above
		0	1	2	3	4
2	How many hours do you sleep during the Night after surgery	7 Hrs& Above	5 Hrs – 6 Hrs	4 Hrs	2 Hrs – 3 Hrs	0-1 Hrs
		0	1	2	3	4
3	My sleep is disturbed due to surgical pain	Always	Mostly	Some Times	Rarely	Never
		4	3	2	1	0
4	I wake up too carly because of pain	4	3	2	1	0
5	I wake up from the slightest sound	4	3	2	1	0
6	I feel that I have nor slept all night due to surgical pain	4	3	2	1	0
7	I think a lot disturbances in sleep due to pain	4	3	2	1	0
8	I am afraid to go to bed because of my disturbed sleep due to pain	4	3	2	1	0
9	I feel tired during the day due to lack of sleep	0	1	2	3	4
10	I take sleeping pills after surgery in order to get to sleep	4	3	2	1	0

#### Scoring Interpretation

- 0-10 = Low sleep disturbances
- 11-20 = Mild sleep disturbances
- 21-30 = Moderate sleep disturbances
- 31-40 = Severe sleep disturbances



பிரிவு-III

அறுவை சிகிச்சைக்கு பின் தூக்கத்தின் தரப்பிற்கான மாற்றி  
அமைக்கப்பட்ட வினாத்தாள்

பெயர்:

தேதி: .....

குறிப்பு: கீழே கொடுக்கப்பட்டுள்ளவற்றில் நீங்கள் எந்த நிலையில் இருக்கின்றீர்கள் என தேர்வு செய்யவும்.

வ. எண்	அறுவை சிகிச்சைக்கு பின் தூக்கத்தின் தரம்	மதிப்பெண்கள்				
		1-20 வினாடி	21-40 வினாடி	41-60 வினாடி	61-90 வினாடி	91க்கும் மேல்
1	அறுவை சிகிச்சைக்குப்பின் தூங்குவதற்கு எத்தனைநிமிடங்கள் ஆகிறது	0	1	2	3	4
2	அறுவை சிகிச்சைக்குப்பின் இரவில் எத்தனை மணி நேரம் நீங்கள் தூங்குகிறீர்கள்	7 மணி அதற்கு மேல்	5 மணி - 6மணி	4 மணி	2மணி - 3 மணி	0-1 மணி
		0	1	2	3	4
3	அறுவை சிகிச்சை காரணமாகஎனக்கு தூங்குவதற்கு தொந்தரவாக உள்ளது	எப்பொழுதும்	பெரும்பாலும்	சில நேரங்களில்	எப்போதாவது	எப்போதுமில்லை
		4	3	2	1	0
4	அறுவை சிகிச்சை வலியின் காரணமாக நான் சீக்கிரமாக எழுந்து கொள்கிறேன்	4	3	2	1	0
5	அறுவைசிகிச்சைக்குப்பின் சிறுசப்தம் கேட்டாலும் எழுந்துகொள்கிறேன்.	4	3	2	1	0
6	அறுவை சிகிச்சையின் காரணமாக எல்லா இரவிலும் நான் முழுமையாக தூங்கவில்லை	4	3	2	1	0
7	அறுவை சிகிச்சை வலியின் காரணமாக தூக்கத்தில் எனக்கு நிறைய தொந்தரவுகள் உள்ளது.	4	3	2	1	0

வ. எண்	அறுவை சிகிச்சைக்கு பின் தூக்கத்தின் தரம்	மதிப்பெண்கள்				
8	அறுவை சிகிச்சை வலியின் காரணமாக அதிக தொந்தரவு இருப்பதால் நான் படுக்கைக்கு செல்ல பயமாக உள்ளது.	4	3	2	1	0
9	அறுவைசிகிச்சை காரணமாகநான் முழுவதும் தூக்கமின்மையால் சோர்வாக காணப்படுகிறேன்.	0	1	2	3	4
10	அறுவை சிகிச்சை காரணமாக நான் தூங்குவதற்கு முன்னால் தூக்க மாத்திரைகள் எடுத்தக்கொள்கிறேன்.	4	3	2	1	0

### மதிப்பெண்

- 1) 0-10 குறைந்த தூக்ககலக்கம்
- 2) 11-20 லேசான தூக்ககலக்கம்
- 3) 21-30 இயல்பான தூக்ககலக்கம்
- 4) 31-40 கடுமையான தூக்ககலக்கம்

## **APPENDIX-X**

### **BACK MASSAGE INTERVENTION**

The word “massages” is derived from Arabic word “mass’h” which means to press gently. Back massage is defined as a group of systematic and scientific manipulation of superficial and deep layers of muscle and connective tissue using various techniques with hands.

#### **PURPOSE**

- To enhance function and improves circulation
- Helps to release tension and pain
- Inhibits motor neuron excitability and promotes relaxation
- Aid in healing process
- Decrease muscle reflex activity

#### **PREPARATION FOR PROCEDURE**

- Prepare the environment or room
- Arrange the needed articles like massage table or bed, coverings sheet, towel, oil
- Place the patient in prone or lateral or sitting position that depends on patient’s surgical site.

#### **TECHNIQUES OF BACK MASSAGE**

##### **EFFLEURAGE:**



- Place the patient in a position
- Apply oil evenly to the entire body
- Massage starts with long, soothing, stroking movements using flat of the hand fingers in the direction of the heart by applying slightly more pressure to improves circulation and lymph flow
- Relax the hands and mould them towards the contour of the body
- Do it for 5 minutes.

## **PETRISSAGE**



- Place the patient in a position
- Keep both hands on the belly of the muscle and fingers pointing away from you Pressing down with the palm and grasping the flesh between fingers and thumb
- Pushing it towards the other hand
- Alternating the hands to squeeze and release
- Do it for 5 minutes to stimulate deep muscles and tissues
- Stay relaxed and let your hands move up and down along the muscle.

## **TAPOTEMENT**



- Place the patient in a position
- Starts with series of brisk percussions, in rapid, alternating and rhythmic fashion by Cupping, tapping and hacking method
- Do it for 5 minutes to stimulate the blood circulation, tone and strengthen skin and muscle
- Stay relaxed and let your hands move up and down along the muscle.

## **FRICTION**



- Place the patient in a position
- Apply deep direct pressure by thumb finger on particular massage points running from C<sub>7</sub> to posterior superior iliac spine in both side of spinous process
- Pressure is increased gradually and is maintained for 5-10 sec and release
- Do it for 5 minutes to reduce muscle tension and spasm
- Stay relaxed and let your hands move up and down along the muscle.

## **APPENDIX-XI**

### **PHOTO GALLERY**

#### **INVESTIGATOR COLLECTING THE DATA FROM STUDY PARTICIPANTS**



## INVESTIGATOR PROVIDING BACK MASSAGE

